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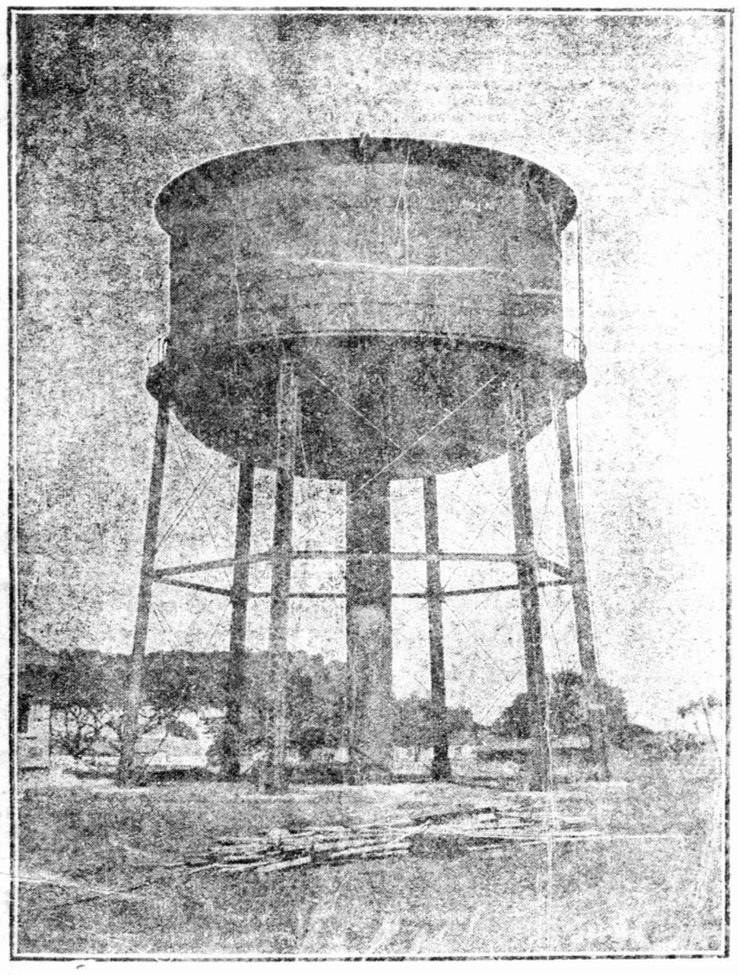

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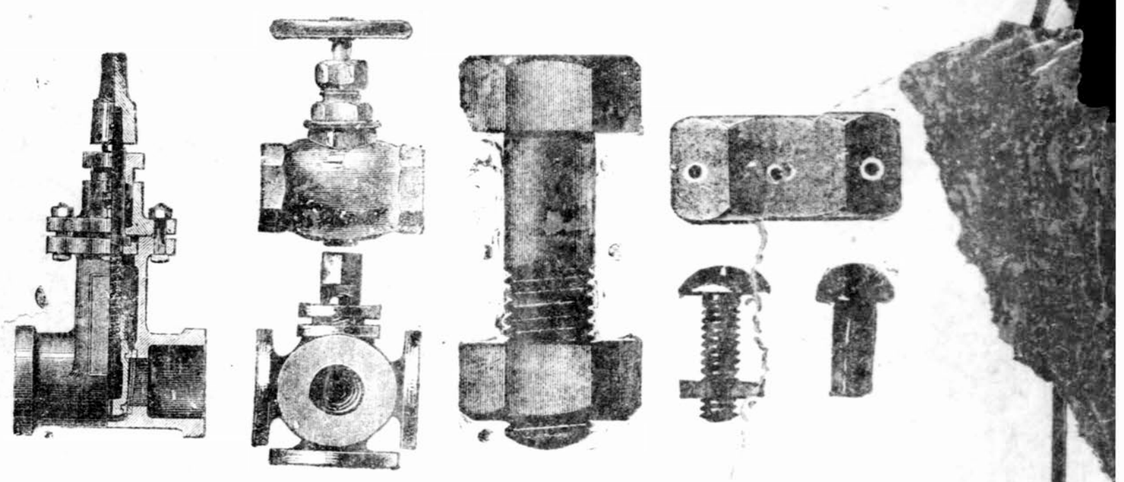

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THE TATA INDUSTRIAL BANK, LIMITED, BOMBAY.

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NOTICE.

HOUSING OF THE WORKING CLASSES IN BOMBAY.

THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY, being desirous of encouraging sanitary housing accommodation for the benefit of the working classes in Bombay, hereby invites competitive designs for types of cottages suitable for occupation by the working classes. A prize of Rs. 1,000 is offered for the best design approved by a Board of Examiners appointed by Government. Or the Board may, if they think fit and the designs merit it, award three prizes of Rs., 500, Rs. 300 and Rs. 200, respectively. The designs must be received by the 30th April, 1918.

Applications for conditions of the competition should be made in writing to The Consulting Surveyor to the Government of Bombay, Poona.

P. R. CADELL,
C.I.E., I.C.S.,
Controller of Prices.
3998

PUBLIC NOTICES.

THE NEW CITY OF BOMBAY MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LTD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a DIVIDEND for the half year ended 31st December, 1917, at the rate of Rs. 120 (Rupees One hundred and twenty) per Share, free of Income Tax, will be paid on and after TUESDAY, the 2nd April, 1918, at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 42-48 Church Gate Street, Fort, between the hours of 12 noon and 3-30 p.m. (except on Saturdays when it will be paid between 11 a.m. and 12-30 p.m.) to the Shareholders whose names stand on the Company's Register on WEDNESDAY, the 13th March, 1918. The Dividend Warrants will be posted to Shareholders to their registered address.

By order of the Board of Directors,
W. H. Brady and Company, Limited,
W. H. BRADY,
Managing Director,
Agents.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918 3433

THE COLABA LAND & MILL COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a DIVIDEND for the half year ended 31st December, 1917, at the rate of Rs. 110 (Rupees One hundred and ten) per Share, free of Income Tax, will be paid on and after Tuesday, the 2nd April, 1918, at the Registered Office of the Company No. 42-48 Church Gate Street, Fort, between the hours of 12 noon and 3-30 p.m. (except on Saturdays when it will be paid between 11 a.m. and 12-30 p.m.) to the Shareholders whose names stand on the Company's Register on WEDNESDAY, the 13th March, 1918. The Dividend Warrants will be posted to Shareholders to their registered address.

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W. H. Brady and Company, Limited,
W. H. BRADY,
Managing Director,
Agents & Managers.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918. 3434

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By order of the Board of Directors,
W. H. Brady and Company, Limited,
W. H. BRADY,
Managing Director.
Secretaries & Agents.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918. 3435

THE INDIAN MANUFACTURING CO., LD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Indian Manufacturing Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 12, Hummam Street, Fort, Bombay, on the 13th day of April, 1918, at 4 p.m., (S. T.), when the Resolution which was passed in the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 28rd of March, 1918, will be submitted for confirmation, as a special Resolution.

By order of the Board,
DAMODHER THACKERSEY
MOOLJEE & Co.,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918. 3442

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Geo. W. D. BREADON,
Captain,
Dy. Controller of Timber Supplies, Bombay. 3407

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R. H. A. DELVES,
F. S. I.,
Dy. Land Manager.
3533

PUBLIC NOTICES.

THE FAZULBHOY MILLS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the above Company held on the 27th day of March, 1918, a Dividend for the half year ended 31st December, 1917, at the rate of Rs. 75 per share (free of Income Tax) has been declared and made payable at the registered office of the Company No. 137, Esplanade Road, Fort, on and after TUESDAY, the 2nd day of April, 1918, between 11-30 a.m. and 3-30 p.m. (S.T.), to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register of the Company on the 16th day of March, 1918, on production of their share-certificates.

By Order,
CURRIMBHOY EBRAHIM & SONS, LTD.,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918. 3436

THE CURRIMBHOY MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the above Company held on the 27th day of March, 1918, a Dividend for the half year ended 31st December, 1917, at the rate of Rs. 25 per share (free of Income Tax) has been declared and made payable at the registered office of the Company No. 137, Esplanade Road, Fort, on and after TUESDAY, the 2nd day of April, 1918, between 11-30 a.m. and 3-30 p.m. (S.T.), to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register of the Company on the 16th day of March, 1918, on production of their share-certificates.

By Order,
CURRIMBHOY EBRAHIM & SONS, LTD.,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918. 3437

THE EBRAHIMBHOY PABANEY MILLS COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the above Company held on the 27th day of March, 1918, a Dividend for the half year ended 31st December, 1917, at the rate of Rs. 15 per share (free of Income Tax) has been declared and made payable at the registered office of the Company No. 137, Esplanade Road, Fort, on and after TUESDAY, the 2nd day of April, 1918, between 11-30 a.m. and 3-30 p.m. (S.T.), to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register of the Company on the 17th day of March, 1918, on production of their share-certificates.

By Order,
CURRIMBHOY EBRAHIM & SONS, LTD.,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918. 3438

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By Order,
CURRIMBHOY EBRAHIM & SONS, LTD.,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918. 3439

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By Order,
CURRIMBHOY EBRAHIM & SONS, LTD.,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918. 3440

THE PEARL MILLS, LIMITED

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By Order,
CURRIMBHOY EBRAHIM & SONS, LTD.,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents.
Bombay, 27th March, 1918. 3441

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the occupancy right of "KADODIA BET," Jhagadia Taluka of this State, admeasuring about acres 451—15 gunthas, paying an annual assessment of Rs. 3,267-8-0, is to be SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION on WEDNESDAY, 3rd April, 1918, at 9 a.m., at the Huzur Office, Nandod. Intending purchasers are, therefore, requested to be present at Nandod, on that date. The terms of sale, etc., will be read out to them at the time of the auction.

These Bhatta lands are very rich and grow tobacco and other valuable crops and are annually leased at a high rental.

P. H. DASTUR.
Dewan, Rajpipla State.
Huzur Office,
Nandod, 12th February, 1918.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE.

NEW WORKSHOP CLASSES for Subovorseers, Mechanical and Electrical Apprentices commence from June, 1918.

Candidates for admission to the Subovorseers Class must have passed one of the following examinations:—

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(Sd.) H. N. ALLAN,
Principal.

College of Engineering.
Poona, 27th March, 1918. 3431

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50 lbs. Metamtraniline Orange Ship Brand 1 lb. tin original packing.
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WEDNESDAY, 3rd April, at 3 p.m. (S. T.), at Messrs. MEHTA & Co.'s Auction Rooms at Medows Street, Fort, Bombay,

Samples on view.

AUCTION SALE OF ANILINE DYES.

On WEDNESDAY, the 3rd April, at 3 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. MEHTA and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms No. 25, Medows Street, Fort, by order of Sha Harjovandas Chhaganlal and on account and at the risk of Thackar Hemraj Jeram:—

1 cask about 361 lbs. Fast Green No. 1.
1 cask about 604 lbs. Fast Blue No. 45.
5 cases about 250 lbs. Congo Red Farsi Puri without number Nos. 19452, 17307, 19787, 19621 and 19815.
1 case Congo Red Farsi Syce Ghodo 50 lbs. No. 20.

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED GOODS AND SWEEPINGS AT WADI BUNDER GOODS DEPOT, G. I. P. RAILWAY.

Under instructions from the G. I. P. Railway Company and in accordance with Sections 55 and 56 of Indian Railway Act IX of 1890, Messrs. MEHTA and Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 30th instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), at the above address the following unclaimed goods and sweepings consisting of bags of cotton seed, bags of gram, bags of wheat, bags of jawari, bags of harda, bags of turmeric, bags of linseed, bags of toor, bags of masoor, bags of rice, iron gurders, bun lles of coir ropes, drums of varnish, bundles of iron nails, big iron plate, loose iron pipes, bundles of planks, angle iron bars, empty gas cylinder, empty wooden casks, lot of red earth, bundle of cloth, iron valve, bundle of wooden pegs, bundle of papers, lot of loose bamboo, bundle of iron hammers, bundles of jagri, bags of sweepings grain, etc., etc.

A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required at the time of sale and the balance to be paid and goods taken delivery of within 4 days from the day of sale.

AUCTION SALE on SUNDAY, the 31st instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), of the office furniture relating to the concerned of Messrs. J. Fachiri at Hornby Road, opposite the Petit Library.

On SUNDAY, the 31st instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. MEHTA and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction opposite the Petit's Library at Hornby Road the very valuable and neat polished substantial furniture such as office tables, arm chairs, typists tables, rolled top desks, stationer cupboard, sliding glass door cupboards, show cases, very rich and substantial office partitions, 5 feet high Milner's fire resisting safe on stand, dining tables and chairs, hat stands, wooden benches, sample racks, etc., etc.

The property of Messrs. J. Fachiri and others.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view three days before the sale.

MEHTA & Co.,
Auctioneers.

Bombay, 29th March, 1918.

GANDHI & CO

AUCTIONEERS & COMMISSION AGENTS

No. 52 Medows Street.

SALE TO-DAY AT 3-30 P.M. (S. T.).

AUCTION SALE OF 251 BAGS JAVA SUGAR WHITE.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 29th March, 1918, at 3-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. GANDHI and Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction, by order of Messrs. Abdulla Haji Mavji and Co., at their shop in Khoja Moholla and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchasers, Messrs. Allibhoy Chagla and Co.:—

251 bags Java Sugar White, ex. S. S. "Niels Nielson" C.I.F. Bombay Harbour delivery.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

SALE TO-DAY AT 4 P.M. (S. T.).

AUCTION SALE OF 200 PACKAGES DRIED GINGER.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 29th March, 1918, at 4 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. GANDHI and Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction, by order of Thaker Karsondas Dharamsey and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchaser, Thaker Keshavji Ramdas at the godown of Memon Suleman Moosa and Sons, at Old Lakdi Bunder:—

200 packages dried ginger of Calicut, of Fagan Sudi 2 Vayda.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

SALE TO-DAY AT 2-30 P.M. (S. T.).

AUCTION SALE OF 251 BAGS WHITE JAVA SUGAR.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 29th March, 1918, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. GANDHI and Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction, by order of Sheth Abdul Aziz Haji Taiyab at his shop in Khand Bazar and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchaser, Sheth Devidas Purshottam:—

251 bags White Java Sugar ex. S. S. "Niels Nielson" C.I.F. Bombay Harbour delivery.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

GANDHI & Co.,
Auctioneers.

Bombay, 29th March, 1918.

SALE BY AUCTION.

BENNETT & CO.

NO. 29, APOLLO STREET.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 30th day of March, 1918, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at New Queen's Road, above Bombay Cycle and Motor Agency, very valuable and handsome teak and blackwood household furniture, rich glass and crockery ware, best plated ware, dining table, arm and without arm chairs, sideboard and dumbwaiters, rich carpets, wall clocks, drawing room Chesterfield sofas and easy chairs, rich cabinets, copper enamelled vases and jars, English cabinets, one ebonized cottage piano by Shiedmayer, single and double bedsteads, dressing and washhand tables, dressing chest of drawers, mirror almyrahs, cloth and gown presses, revolving top writing table, office chairs, book cases, baba perambulator, baba tricycle, baba cot, bentwood furniture, cane chairs, etc., etc. The property of N. N. Bharucha, Esqr.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 30th inst., at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT & Co will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, etc.

AT 2 P. M. (S. T.)

1 second hand rubber tyred vis-a-vis, in good order.
1 second hand rubber tyred victoria, in good order.
1 second hand rubber tyred palanquin office shigram.
1 Bay Arab horse, aged, quiet in harness.

AUCTION SALE OF WHITE JERSEY, TOYS, CURTAIN, MUSLIN, HANDKERCHIEFS, COLLAR, TIES, SHIRTINGS, LAWN MUSLIN, PRINT. LASES. NAINSOOKS, MORTON'S VINEGAR, ETC.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY the 30th instant at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.) Messrs. BENNETT & Co., will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, on account of the underwriters the following goods landed damaged by ex. S.S. "Gulna."

E. I. S. N. F. No. 24—1 case white jurseys.
B. P. G. S.—1 case toys and sundry goods.
M. H. M. S. B. No. 50—1 case curtain muslin, handkerchiefs, etc.
Y. M. and S. M. No. 52—1 case collars and ties, etc.
M. and S. M. No. 60—1 case cotton shirtings, collars, etc.
V. BROS B No. 4—1 case lawn muslin, button, etc.
R. and BROS B. No. 29—1 case cotton print muslin, etc.
H. J. M. A. No. 233—1 bale pillow cases and nainsooks.
H. J. M. A. No. 234—1 case sleeve frillings, laces, hats, etc.
3 casks each 25 gallons Morton's vinegars.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

AUCTION SALE OF WASTE PAPER, DYED STUFF TINS, OIL CARBOYS, ETC.

On FRIDAY, the 5th proximo, at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell b Public Auction, in the compound of the E. D. Sassoon's Dye Works, Dadur, on account of the concerned:—

One lot of waste paper, dye stuffs tins, oil carboys, earthenware jars, etc.

A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

On WEDNESDAY, the 10th proximo, at 2 p.m., (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Nepean Road, Malabar Hill, valuable and handsome rich old blackwood carved furniture, rich glass and crockery ware, best plated ware, dining tables, and chairs, one handsome strong large made to order mirror back sideboard, English sofas and settee, drawing room cabinets glass door, single and double almyrahs, fancy flower vases and table ornaments, rich pictures and oleographs, dressing chest, marble top dressing and washhand tables, writing table, office chairs, book cases, brass and iron single and double bedsteads, table and hanging lamps, rich Persian and Brussels carpets, etc., etc., the property of the Hon. Mr. Justice Norman Kemp.

Catalogues will be published and the property on view four days before the sale.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE VACANT PIECE OF LAND AT SUN MILL LOWER PAREL.

Under instructions from nd by the order of Sorabji Jamshedji Bulsara and Shavakshaw Byramji Nagporewalla the proving exccutors of the last will and testament of Dai Aderbai Jamshetji Bulsara deceased Messrs BENNETT and Co., Auctioneers, will on the 27th day of April 1918 at 4-45 p.m. (S.T.), sell by public auction, on the premises the undermentioned property:—

All that piece or parcel of Foras land or ground situate at Parel in the Island of Bombay in the Registration sub-district of Bombay containing by admeasurement 2,099 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Collector's old No. 651, New Collector's No. 1260-33 and Collectors New Survey No. 1/2744 and Municipal G Ward No. 1134 and Street No. 39 and bounded as follows:—that is to say on or towards the East by the property of Hassam Haji Sulleman, on or towards the West by the property of Mohanlal Purshotam Maskawalla on or towards the North by the property of B. B. and C. I. Railway Company and on or towards the South by the Sun Mill Road.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to Messrs. Merwanji Kola and Co. Solicitors for the Executors at 14, K. Hummum Street, Fort, Bombay, or to the undersigned.

BENNETT & Co.,

Bombay, 29th March, 1918.

J. S. MODY & CO.

20, APOLO STREET, FORT.

Telephone No. 3409.

AUCTION SALE ON SATURDAY, THE 30TH MARCH, 1918, AT 2-30 P.M. (S. T.).

Messrs. J. S. MODY and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 30th day of March, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), at Church Gate Street opposite the "Dady House," Fort, very valuable teak and blackwood made-to-order household furniture comprising sliding dining table, arm and armless chairs, dinner waggons, dumbwaiters, meat-safes, rich glass and porcelainware, rich platedware, refrigerator ice chest, marble top tables, teapoys, upholstered drawing room suites, rich carpets, flower vases, glass bead door chicks, bedsteads, mirror and panel door almyrahs, clothes and gown presses, bedroom chest of drawers, dressing and wash-hand tables, clothes and gown presses, easy chairs, hatstands, iron safe with stand, aluminium cooking utensils, electric ceiling fans and lights, etc., etc.

The property of Lieut. N. George and others.

The property is on view.

J. S. MODY & Co.
Auctioneers.

Bombay, 29th March, 1918.

SALE BY AUCTION.

CRAWFORD & CO'S SALES.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT PAREL BHOIWADA.

Under instructions from Mrs. Retta Rosa, widow of Dominic Gracious and Mr. Gregory Gracious, and on account and risk of the defaulting purchaser, Bai Lakshmibai, wife of Narsoo Assaram, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction on SUNDAY, the 14th day of April, 1918, at 5 p.m. (S. T.), the following property on the premises:—

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.

FIRSTLY.—All that piece or parcel of Fazendari land or ground situate at Parel Bhoiwada in the City of Bombay, together with the messuages, tenements or dwelling house standing thereon, admeasuring 19 feet in breadth and 41 feet in length or thereabouts and situated within the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and registered by the Collector under New Survey No. 10/2591 and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under "F" Ward No. 981 and Street No. 341 and bounded on the East by the Parel Bhoiwada Road, on the West by the property of Jooma Mahomed Damanwala, on the North by the property of Balloo Custia and on the South by the property of Haji Goolam Husanali.

SECONDLY.—All that piece or parcel of Fazendari land or ground situate at Parel Thakurwadi in the City of Bombay, together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, admeasuring 20 feet in breadth and 25 feet in length or thereabouts and situate within the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and registered by the Collector under New Survey No. 2064 and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under "F" Ward No. 697 and Street No. 57 and bounded on the East by the house of Nomabhai, on the West by the passage gully, on the North by the passage gully, and on the South by the gully; which properties are in the occupation of the tenants of the mortgagors.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the undersigned.

CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers.

Bombay, 29th March, 1918.

MESSRS. SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.

AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.

21, Medows Street.

SALE OF 250 BAGS CASIPUR CRYSTAL SUGAR.

Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE and Co., will on SATURDAY, the 30th day of March, 1918, at 3 p.m., sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Room the following:—

By order of Aga Haji Mehedy Isphany and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchaser:—

Messrs. Mathuradas Bhawan and Co. of Khand Bazaar.
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250 bags Casipur Crystal sugar each 164 lbs. net (2 Bengali maunds), arrived from Calcutta.

The bags are now open for inspection at Shed No. 5, Wari Bunder, G. I. P. Railway Goods Depot. The sale will take place at the Rooms of the Auctioneers on the above mentioned day.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of knocking the lots to the purchaser and the balance shall be paid and goods cleared next day of the sale.

The goods will be sold against Wari Bunder Delivery order and Town Duty and mukadamage is to be paid by the purchaser.

SALE OF HAND MADE BENARES BRASSWARE.

Messrs. SORABJI COWASJI & Co., will on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd April, 1918, at 2-30 p.m., (S. T.), sell by Public Auction at their sale rooms.

By order of the executors of the estate of Damoderdas Maneckchand deceased a further lot of Benares brassware consisting of hand chased flower pots in great variety; vases and flower holders of various designs; sooroies; tea and coffee trays; sets of trays for making teapoys and tables; beggar bowls; tumblers; finger basins; snake candle sticks, etc.

SORABJI COWASJI & Co.,
Auctioneers.

Bombay, 29th March, 1918.

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THE WEATHER.

SUN, MOON AND TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and height of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hour stated in Bombay Mean Time depth of water is at Prince's Dock:—

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	HIGH WATER. Bombay Mean time:		Depth on Sill.		LOW WATER. Day of Month.	Bombay Mean time:		Depth on Sill	
	Mar.	h.	m.	ft.	in.	Mar.	h.	m.	ft.	in.
Thurs.	28	m	11	59	27	6	28	m	5	36	16	1
			11	58a	27	4			6	47a	17	6
Fri.	29						29	m	6	1	15	10
			0	29a	27	8			6	16a	17	9
Sat.	30	m	0	21	27	3	30	m	6	27	15	9
			0	59a	27	7			6	45a	18	3
Sun.	31	m	0	46	26	10	31	m	6	54	15	11
	Apl.		1	30a	27	3	Apl.		7	15a	18	11
Mon.	1	m	1	14	26	5	1	m	7	23	16	2
			2	4a	26	8			7	47a	19	8
Tues.	2	m	1	45	25	10	2	m	7	56	16	8
			2	48a	26	1			8	23a	20	5
Wed.	3	m	2	20	25	1	3	m	8	36	17	3
			3	31a	25	5			9	16a	21	2

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset, according to Indian Standard Time, during the ensuing week:—

Mar.		Sunrise.	Sunset.
M	28 (Thursday)	6h. 37m.	6h. 52m.
T	29 (Friday)	6h. 36m.	6h. 52m.
W	30 (Saturday)	6h. 35m.	6h. 52m.
Th	31 (Sunday)	6h. 34m.	6h. 52m.
April	1 (Monday)	6h. 33m.	6h. 53m.
"	2 (Tuesday)	6h. 33m.	6h. 53m.
"	3 (Wednesday)	6h. 32m.	6h. 53m.

Phases of the Moon:—

		d.	h.	m.
Last Quarter	April 1918.	4	7	3.1 p.m.
New Moon	"	11	10	4.3 a.m.
First Quarter	"	18	9	37.7 a.m.
Full Moon	"	26	1	35.4 p.m.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Thursday, the 28th March 1918, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are moderately or heavily clouded. Humidity is in excess in the submontane districts. Day temperature continues in slight defect. Night temperature has risen and is now nearly normal.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity is in slight defect in the east. Temperature has risen but is still in defect both by day and night.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are moderately clouded in Sind and north-west. Rajputana and are clear or lightly clouded elsewhere. Humidity is in excess in Upper Sind. Day temperature is slightly below normal except in lower Sind; night temperature is moderately below the average in Rajputana.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. The air is much drier than usual. Day temperature is higher generally but is still slightly below normal in Central India West, night temperature is in slight to moderate defect except at coast stations in Kathiawar.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity is generally below normal. Day temperature is slightly or moderately below the average; night temperature continues in moderate to considerable defect generally.

The Konkan.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. At Bombay the air is drier than usual.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear. Humidity is generally below normal. Day temperature continues below the average in Hyderabad and the south Bombay Deccan; night temperature is generally in slight to moderate defect.

General Remarks.—The disturbance from the west has again caused nearly general rain in north Baluchistan and is now affecting Sind and the Punjab where moderate to heavy cloud has appeared. A few thunderstorms are reported from the south of the Peninsula. The low temperatures that have prevailed in northern India for he last few days are disappearing.

Rainfall appears likely in Sind and the Punjab.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN at 8 a.m. on THURSDAY, the 28th of March, 1918.

STATIONS	Temp. in Shade. Maximum of past 24 hours.	Minimum of past 24 hours.	Humidity. 8 A. M.	Rainfall. Past 24 hours.	Total 1st Nov. to date.	Departure 1st Nov. to date.
PERSIAN GULF—						
Bushire	74.4	61.9	76	..	5.70	—4.61
Do. (27th Mar.)	75.4	69.1	92	..	7.23	+3.22
Jask	..	..	..	..	..	..
Do. (27th Mar.)	..	..	..	..	..	..
Muskat	79.8	75.1	64	..	0.29	—3.30
Do. (27th Mar.)	..	..	..	..	..	..
PUNJAB—						
Multan	86.6	65.3	63	..	1.18	—0.32
Rawalpindi	74.0	55.8	71	..	13.65	+5.66
Lahore	81.8	59.4	73	..	2.61	—0.59
Hissar	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ambala	84.1	57.1	86	..	2.12	—0.12
Delhi	85.8	62.3	50	..	0.98	—1.78
UNITED PROVINCES—						
Agra	83.2	61.1	44	..	1.22	—0.35
Muipuri	89.3	58.3	40	..	0.71	—1.40
Jhansi	90.6	58.1	27	..	0.27	—1.59
Cawnpore	90.0	61.5	40	..	0.65	—1.33
Allahabad	90.3	59.9	24	..	0.39	—1.73
SIND AND RAJPUTANA—						
Jacobabad	90.5	67.6	56	..	0.62	—0.47
Karachi	81.0	70.1	66	..	1.64	+0.11
Aimer	86.0	63.4	40	..	0.25	—1.04
Jalpore	88.2	57.2	20	..	0.31	—1.13
Kotah	90.0	61.8	35	..	0.10	—0.76
Mount Abu	78.8	60.6	17	..	0.12	—1.03
GUJARAT KATHIAWAR AND CENTRAL INDIA WEST—						
Bhuj	93.8	57.1	31	..	0.16	—0.30
Dwarka	91.8	72.7	72	..	0.01	—0.07
Veraval	83.0	64.4	27	..	0	—0.47
Rajkot	97.1	56.0	35	..	0	—0.49
Bhavnagar Para	96.8	63.4	77	..	0	—0.56
Surat	95.5	64.5	43	..	0	—0.34
Ahmedabad	97.9	61.9	24	..	0	—0.39
Deesa	97.0	59.5	19	..	0	—0.51
Neemuch	90.1	55.8	18	..	0.06	—0.74
Indore	92.5	55.3	24	..	0.21	—0.69
CENTRAL PROVINCES—						
Jubbulpore	88.3	52.1	25	..	1.29	—1.28
Saugor	88.8	56.4	12	..	0.14	—2.11
Hoshangabad	91.3	59.4	24	..	0.35	—1.39
Khandwa	96.4	58.1	35	..	0.04	—1.13
Akola	97.4	57.1	19	..	0.27	—1.75
Amraoti	95.8	68.3	14	..	0.14	—1.87
Nagpur	93.0	60.5	17	..	0.37	—2.11
Chanda	96.9	55.0	28	..	0.37	—2.82
Raipur	90.7	60.2	19	..	0.95	—1.21
KONKAN—						
Bombay	89.7	73.7	61	..	1.46	+0.87
Ratnagiri	86.5	75.1	74	..	0.99	+0.27
Marmugao	89.8	76.	77	..	5.95	+4.76
Karwar	88.7	72.8	80	..	1.10	—0.38
BOMBAY DECCAN AND HYDERABAD—						
Malegaon	98.9	60.7	20	..	1.61	+0.74
Ahmednagar	95.0	63.6	21	..	3.13	+1.72
Poona	97.0	68.5	29	..	3.01	+2.77
Sholapur	96.7	65.7	27	..	0.67	—1.04
Bijapur	95.1	67.4	37	..	1.16	—0.34
Belgaum	92.1	64.5	37	..	5.70	+3.48
Aurangabad	94.7	63.6	17	..	0.41	—0.95
Nizamabad (Indur)	97.0	62.7	19	..	0.14	—1.69
Hyderabad	90.8	65.0	43	..	3.14	+1.01
MALABAR AND CEYLON—						
Mangalore	90.2	75.6	78	..	2.41	—1.03
Calicut	88.2	76.1	83	..	7.27	+0.32
Cochin	90.0	74.8	76	..	17.19	+5.97
Colombo	89.1	70.6	94	..	20.84	—6.50
MADRAS (EXCLUDING MALABAR) AND MYSORE—						
Masulipatam	91.6	70.2	87	..	13.74	+6.84
Bellary	98.1	71.9	54	..	2.72	+0.23
Cuddapah	98.2	73.3	72	..	5.78	+0.93
Madras	90.4	77.8	85	..	22.34	+1.10
Bangalore	85.3	65.4	75	..	3.19	—0.30
Coimbatore	92.4	68.5	76	0.21	7.86	+2.16
Trichinopoly	94.2	73.4	78	..	8.32	—0.94
Negapatam	89.5	75.4	80	..	38.04	+8.55

The following information is published in order that vessels in the Bombay Harbour may by comparison with a standard instrument ascertain the errors of their barometers:—

The reading of the Standard Barometer in the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 80 deg. F. and to the level of the tide at 8-45 a.m. Standard Time on the 28th March, 1918, was 30.046 inches. For temperature corrections applicable to mercurial barometer of ships the reading of the ship's barometer has to be increased or decreased by .013 inch for every 5 degrees according as the temperature of the attached thermometer is respectively below or above 80 deg. F. In case of the aneroid no temperature correction is needed. But for comparison at 80 deg. F. all aneroid readings should be increased by .138 inch. For correcting the ship's barometer either mercurial or aneroid for the height of the barometer cistern above the tide level in the stream at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time, the ship's barometer reading should be increased by .010 inch for every 10 feet of the height to make it comparable with the observatory barometer reading given.

CASUALTY LISTS.

LONDON, Mar. 15.

The following casualties are announced:—

KILLED.

Second-Lieut L E Atha, Flying Corps.
Major R N Ford, Royal Fusiliers.
Second-Lieut G W Harte, Munsters.

PREVIOUSLY MISSING NOW KILLED.

Capt J S Campbell, Argyll and Sutherlands.
Second-Lieut W W Hutton, Londons.
Second-Lieut A C Webster, East Yorkshires.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

Second-Lieut R S Fear, Worcesters.
Second-Lieut G L Hounam, Durhams.
Capt A N Wills, Yorkshire Light Infantry.

PREVIOUSLY WOUNDED NOW DIED OF WOUNDS.

Second-Lieut A James, South Lancashires.

WOUNDED.

Lieut M D G Drummon, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut T T Hares, Cheshires.
Second-Lieut L A Herbert, Flying Corps.
Capt C H Hordern, King's Royal Rifles.
Second-Lieut C McCallum, Liverpools.
Second-Lieut S E Mottram, Machine Gun Corps.
Second-Lieut D R Ware, Londons.
Lieut H Whitby, Londons.
Capt D A Wilson, Medicals.

MISSING.

Capt K B Montgomery, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut W F Poulter, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut A B Reade, Flying Corps.

LONDON, Mar. 16.

KILLED.

Second-Lieut D M Clements, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut F H Crosby, Londons.
Lieut H W M Mackay, Gordons.
Capt D L P Morgan, Yeomanry.
Lieut J H Morris, Horse Artillery.

PREVIOUSLY MISSING BELIEVED KILLED NOW KILLED.

Second-Lieut R H C Andrews, Argyll and Sutherlands.

PRPEVIOUSLY MISSING NOW KILLED.

Second-Lieut S W Edwards, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut R P Hood, Flying Corps.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

Lieut H L Brown, East Kents.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

Yieut G J A S Offlahertie, Shropshires.

WOUNDED.

Second-Lieut W D Beardsall, West Yorkshires.
Second-Lieut W H Boston, Flying Corps.
Lieut D I Brassey, Londons.
Lieut T W Cave, Field Artillery.
Second-Lieut L S Cocker, Londons.
Lieut W C Cowper, Londons.
Lieut P Dealtry, Welsh Fusiliers.
Second-Lieut A J S Dobie, Flying Corps.
Capt T M Donald, South Lancashires.
Second-Lieut C C Earl, Welsh Regiment.
Second-Lieut E E Ellis, Londons.
Lieut R G Francis, Leinsters.
Lieut J E Gaskell, Warwicks.
Second-Lieut R W Griffiths, Worcesters.
Capt J R Hempseed, South Staffords.
Second-Lieut W C Holmes, Cheshires.
Capt H Hopkins, Yeomanry.
Second-Lieut W F Howard, Yeomanry.
Second-Lieut L N Jones, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut S Jones, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut F J Langley, Grenadiers.
Second-Lieut E T Linford, Londons.
Second-Lieut A J Martin, Lancasters.
Lieut N G Morris, Field Artillery.
Capt J I K Paulson, Herefords.
Lieut R B Pawle, Hertfords.
Capt C E Ponsonby, Yeomanry.
Lieut R T Rowntree, Lancashire Fusiliers.
Second-Lieut C P Virgo, Flying Corps.
Lieut F S Wells, Cheshires.
Lieut C T Williams, Welsh Regiment.
Major W R Wilson, Engineers.
Second-Lieut R Wright, Royal Fusiliers.

MISSING.

Lieut R E Duke, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut L D Sisley, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut A P C Wigan, Flying Corps.

PREVIOUSLY MISSING BELIEVED WOUNDED NOW DIED OF WOUNDS AS PRISONER.

Capt H L Morley, East Kents.

PREVIOUSLY MISSING NOW DIED OF WOUNDS AS PRISONER.

Second-Lieut W G Moncur, Royal Scots.

PREVIOUSLY PRISONERS NOW DIED OF WOUNDS AS PRISONERS.

Lieut H B Fisher, Munsters.
Second-Lieut H K Forster, Londons.
Lieut L C Newman, Welsh Fusiliers.

PREVIOUSLY WOUNDED AND MISSING NOW WOUNDED AND PRISONER.

Second-Lieut F M Pryce, South Wales Borderers.

PREVIOUSLY KILLED NOW PRISONER.

Second-Lieut A W Brocks, Cheshires.

PREVIOUSLY MISSING NOW PRISONERS.

Second-Lieut A G D Alderson, Worcesters.
Second-Lieut H S Clemons, Service Corps.
Second-Lieut E O Cudmore, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut H A Hewitt, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut O B Swart, Flying Corps.

INDIAN CASUALTY LIST.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, Mar. 26.

The Indian Expeditionary Forces Casualty List No. 62:—

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW PRESUMED DEAD.

Indian Army:—Lieutenant A. G. V. Taylor.

NAVAL CASUALTIES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 19.

KILLED.

Lieut Nathaniel G Burgess, Reserves.
Lieut Alfred A Hall, Reserves.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

Flight Sub-Lieut Cyril W Emmett, R. N.
Flight Sub-Lieut Godfrey J W Goodwin, R. N.

DIED.

Lieut Ernest I W Fox, Reserves.
Surgeon Thomas S Bradbury, R. N.
Sub-Lieut Alfred H Cooper, Reserves.
Probationary Flight Officer Warwick H Turner, R. N.

ACCIDENTALLY INJURED.

Flight Sub-Lieut William S Anderson, R. N.
Probationary Flight Officer Cyril F Walker, R. N.
Probationary Flight Officer William J Kelly, R. N.
Probationary Flight Officer Francis R Carlin, R. N.

PREVIOUSLY MISSING NOW KILLED.

Flight Sub-Lieut Edward G A Eyre, R. N.

LONDON, Mar. 20.

ROYAL NAVAL DIVISION.

KILLED.

Temporary Second-Lieut H Fielden, Marine Light Infantry.

WOUNDED.

Temporary Second-Lieut E W Collier, Marine Light Infantry.

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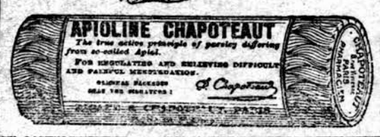

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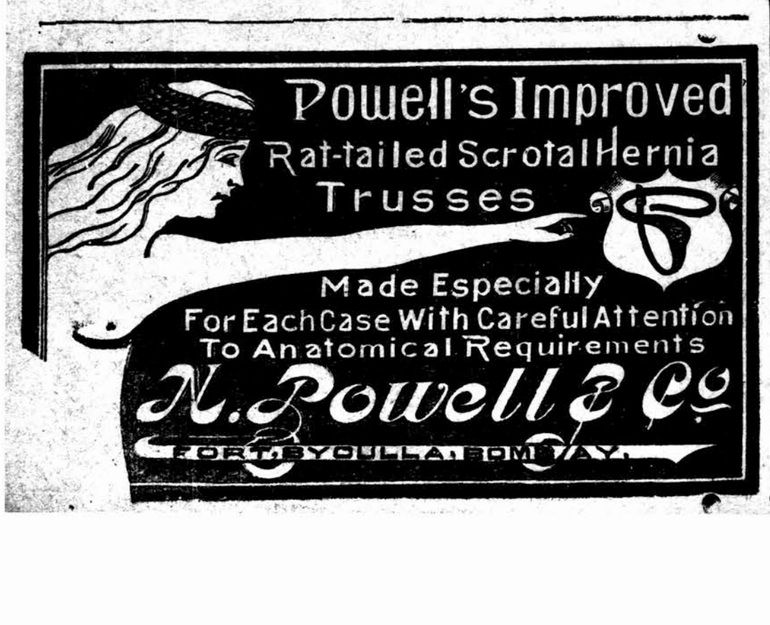

COMMERCIAL.

CABLE QUOTATIONS.

COTTON.

OPENING TONE AND PRICES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

Liverpool, Mar. 27th.

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES :—

New Contracts.

Months	To-day's price.
March	24.79+ 9
April	
May	24.44+10
June	
July	24.22+12

Old Contracts.

Months.	To-day's price.
March	23.11
March-April	23.02
April-May	22.94 +3
May-June	22.86
June-July	22.78

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York, Mar. 25th.

Day's Receipts at all U. S. Ports	.. ..	15,000
,, Exports to Great Britain	.. ..	nil
,, to Continent..	.. ..	2,000
Futures at New York May	.. ..	32.72—18
,, July	.. ..	31.95—11
Spot Cotton at New York	.. ..	34.25—15
,, ,, Orleans	.. ..	33.50+37
Futures at New Orleans May	.. ..	31.62— 1
,, July	.. ..	30.92— 1
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality)	.. ..	9½
Demand Bills	.. ..	4.76.30
Silver Commercial Bars	.. ..	82½

BOMBAY MARKETS.

COTTON.

(From our Correspondent.)

Mar. 28.

With the Good Broach April question in the background, pending the result of Government action, the market has had a very firm tone. Business for forward delivery (May or May/June according to the description of cotton) has been small chiefly owing to sellers being chary of operating. Buyers are plentiful, and prices have steadily increased since the market reopened. Fine Broach May has been done up to Rs. 798, Good Coompta and Sawginned Dharwar May/June at Rs. 794 and Rs. 791, and Fine Khamgaon Akola May at Rs. 721. Ready cotton has also been very firm and full prices have been paid for lots of nice quality, and for good stapled styles. The market is closed to-day for the Holi holiday and will be closed to-morrow for Good Friday.

PIECE-GDODS.

The cloth market during the earlier part of the week had been firm and rupee rates of some standard cloths had advanced owing to better demand, but later on the advance was checked, owing to the *Holi* holidays and, in consequence of various rumours regarding the political situation and war news. Some big lots are under negotiation and it is likely that these will change hands soon. Some big Marwaries are ready to take up goods that could be offered on favourable terms and to hold on for higher prices. There has been a fair demand for Grey goods of Manchester make, but as prices advance some holders are inclined to secure profits. In White Goods some purchases have been made by buyers from Delhi and Cawnpore. Owing to the scarcity of fine White Mulls and good demand from Calcutta sellers have been able to secure profitable rates. Grey Jaconets and Drills have remained firm with an advancing tendency.

The market for local piece-goods has remained steady due to the strong position of cotton and the expected curtailment of production by the mills owing to the shortage of coal. The movement regarding the Government control of local piece-goods has had very little effect on the bazaar rates so far.

The quotations for the leading chops of Greys and Whites are as under :—

	Ins.	Yds.	Rs.	a	p.
Grey Shirtings—					
Ralli's Fari No. 2000 ..	38×37½/8	—	16	0	0
,, ,, 100000	45×37½/8	—	18	8	0
Fleming's No. 1905 ..	45×38	—			
Bates' No. 12838 ..	41×37½/8	—			
Dewhurst's Rupee" No.5	39×38½	—	15	6	0
,, "B.B.B." ..	38×38½	—	23	0	0
Grey Jaconets.—					
Ralli's No 18 ..	45×22	—	9	9	0
Grey Drills—					
Pepperell "Dragon" ..	29×40	—	24	8	0
Ralli's Musjid, No.425	26×30	—	16	12	0
WhiteShirtings—					
Liepman's No. 1500	32×42	—	25	8	0
H. B. T. C. 40000 ..	36×40	—	28	4	0
White Nainsooks—					
Ralli's Nos.7070/9090	27×18	—	4	6	0
,, No, 1900 ..	27×18	—	3	9	0
,, No. 39620 T.B.	38×22	—	4	13	0
Graham's Nos.88/8888.	28×18	—	4	12	0
,, 50000..	24×18	—	3	7	0
Greaves' No. 8000T.B.	38×22	—			
Ritchie's 3500/4510-5520	26×16	—	4	0	0
White Mulls—					
Ralli's No. 6 ..	41×18	—	9	4	0
,, ,, 60 ..	46×18	—	9	12	0
,, ,, 600 ..	51×18	—	11	4	0
,, ,, 6000 ..	56×18	—	12	8	0
,, ,, 88 ..	59×20	—	9	10	0
,, ,, 818 ..	39×20	—	9	0	0
Ritchie's No. 975 ..	50×18	—	8	0	0
,, ,, 615 ..	50×18	—	9	0	0
,, ,, 66999..	40×18	—	6	7	0
,, ,, 1260 ..	27×18	—	3	14	0
Greaves' No. 5060 ..	27×18	—	3	10	0
Graham's No. 142 ..	34×19	—	8	12	0

JAPANESE CLOTHS.

The following are the prices ruling in the bazaar for well-known Japanese Cloths :—

GREY SHIRTINGS—	Ins.	Yds.	Rs.	a	p.
No. 55000 ..	44×38	—	17	8	0
No. 160 ..	,,	—	20	0	0
No. 200 ..	,,	—	19	12	0
No. 2003 ..	,,	—	17	14	0
No. 220 ..	,,	—	18	0	0
Nos. 2200/2300..	,,	—			
No. 7200 ..	,,	—	18	8	0
No. 3000 ..	38×38	—	15	8	0
No. 666 ..	,,	—	16	4	0
No. 181 ..	33×38	—			
No. 191 ..	38×38	—			
GREY SHEETINGS—					
Dragons	36×30	—	13	6	0
"Quality	36×36	—	13	2	
old Dav."	36×30	—	9	8	
GREY DRILLS—					
Elephant	29×40	—	22	8	

CURRENT BANK RATES.

England	5	per cent, Apr. 5, 1917
France	5	per cent, Aug. 20, 1914
Germany	5	per cent, Dec. 23, 1914
Russia	6	per cent, July 28, 1914
Italy	5	per cent, June 1, 1916
Netherlands	4½	per cent, July 1, 1915
Belgium	5	per cent, Aug. 20, 1914
Austria-Hungary	5	per cent, April 10, 1915
Sweden	5½	per cent, Jan. 5, 1915
Spain	4½	per cent, Oct. 25, 1914
India { Bombay	6	per cent, Dec. 6, 1917
India { Bengal (Calcutta)	7	per cent, Jan. 17, 1918
India { Madras	6	per cent, Sept. 4, 1917

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VISHNU COTTON MILLS.

An ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Vishnu Cotton Mills Company was held on Wednesday, Wallace Street, Fort, Bombay. The Hon. Mr. S. J. Gillum presided. The directors' report was adopted; a dividend of Rs. 150 per share being declared; the retiring directors were re-elected and Messrs. A. F. Ferguson and Co. were re-appointed auditors.

LAXMI COTTON MILLS.

An ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Laxmi Cotton Mills Company was held on Wednesday afternoon, at the office of the Company, Wallace Street, Fort, Bombay, the Hon. Mr. S. J. Gillum presiding. The directors' report was adopted; a dividend of Rs. 150 per share being declared, retiring directors were re-elected, and Messrs. J. E. Aspinwall and Co. and Messrs. Chandabhoy and Jassoobhoy were re-appointed auditors.

AGRICULTURAL OUTLOOK.

There was slight rain during the week ended 26th instant in parts of Sind and Thana and Kolaba districts and the Kolhapur State. Standing crops were in good condition except for slight damage by rain in parts of Karachi, by rats and insects in parts of Hyderabad and Thar Parkar and by adverse winds in parts of Upper Sind Frontier. Harvesting of rabi crops is in progress. Picking of cotton continues in parts of Gujarat, West Khandesh, Karnatak, Kathiawar, Baroda, Cutch and Kolhapur. Fodder-supply is adequate except in parts of Sukkur, Belgaum and Dharwar districts. Agricultural stock is sufficient and cattle are in good condition. Supply of water for drinking and irrigation is sufficient except in parts of Thar Parkar where water for irrigation is deficient. Prices of food-grains are generally steady.

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Temperature of Air	90.9 Deg.
Wet Bulb Thermometer	72.5 ,,
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Relative humidity of Air	0.674 ,,
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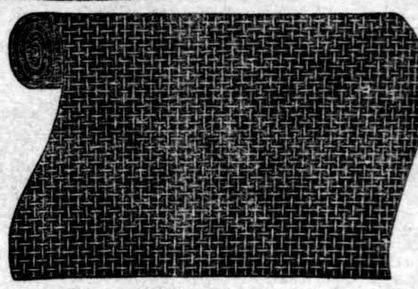

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Mr. J. Ghosal, I.C.S., to be Political Agent, Phaltan and Aundh.

Mr. J. C. Ker, I.C.S., to act as Political Agent, Cambay.

Shankar Wasudev Pathak, late a first grade head constable writer of the Bombay City Police Force, has been dismissed from Government service.

Mr. Ramchandra Trimbak Kirtane to act as Judge, Small Cause Court, Poona.

Mr. Vinayak Vaman Pataskar to act as First Class Subordinate Judge, Poona.

The Hon. Mr. C. A. Kincaid, C.V.O., I.C.S., to be Judge and Sessions Judge, Nasik, vice Mr. F. K. Boyd, I.C.S., proceeding on leave.

Mr. Ardeshir Fardunji Dalal, City Magistrate of Surat, has been granted privilege leave for six weeks from the date of relief.

Mr. G. D. Madgavkar, I.C.S., Judge and Sessions Judge, Khandesh, is granted privilege leave for three months with effect from the 1st June, 1918, with permission to prefix to it the Ram Navmi holiday and the Summer vacation of the District Court of Khandesh.

Mr. Zia-ud-din Ahmad, M.A., LL.B., to be on special duty in Sind and on the termination of this special duty to continue in Sind as Deputy Superintendent of Police.

Mr. G. A. Laughton, Assistant Collector of Salt and Excise of the Kanara Sub-Division.

Mr. S. W. Patton, Acting Assistant Collector of Salt and Excise, Castle-Rock Sub-Division.

Mr. Honavar Harishchandra to be Deputy Superintendent of Police, Thana.

Mr. Vishnu Abaji Gadgil, Acting Clerk of the Court in the Subordinate Judge's Court at Vengurla, was in charge of the current duties of the Subordinate Judge's Court at Vengurla in addition to his own duties, from the 19th January to 17th February, 1918, both days inclusive.

Mr. Narayan Nilkanth Sathe, Huzur Deputy Collector, West Khandesh, is granted privilege leave for six weeks with effect from the date of relief.

Mr. Vishvanath Mahipat Kulkarni is appointed to act as Huzur Deputy Collector, West Khandesh, during the absence of Mr. Sathe on leave.

Vice Mr. B. A. Brendon, I.C.S., proceeding on leave:—

Mr. J. Ghosal, I.C.S., to be Collector of Satara.

Mr. J. C. Ker, I.C.S., to act as Collector of Kaira, pending further orders.

Mr. E. W. Grennan, Assistant Collector of Salt and Excise, Kaira Sub-Division, is granted privilege leave for six weeks with effect from 1st April, 1918, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it.

A temporary appointment of a Sixth Grade Deputy Collector for a period of two months and fifteen days is created and Mr. Sydney J. Mirza will hold it, and do duty in Sind.

Mr. Dattatraya Lakshman Sahasrabudhe, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, Agricultural College, Poona, is allowed privilege leave for one month and twenty-two days with effect from 5th April, 1918.

With effect from the 23rd March, 1918, vice Mr. G. P. Millett, C.I.E., retired:—

Mr. O. H. L. Napier to be First Grade Conservator of Forests.

Mr. W. F. D. Fisher to be Second Grade Conservator of Forests.

Mr. W. E. Copleston to be Third Grade Conservator of Forests.

The Governor in Council is pleased to extend, up to 15th May, 1918, the period of the appointment of Mr. A. G. Koreishi, Deputy Collector, Karachi, as Assistant Settlement Officer, in addition to his ordinary duties, in connection with the revision settlement of the Kotri Taluka, including the Manjhand Mahal, of the Karachi District.

Mr. R. G. Gordon, I.C.S., Talukdari Settlement Officer, Gujarat, is allowed privilege leave for six weeks with effect from 1st May, 1918.

Mr. Ganesh Narhar Atre, Temporary District Deputy Collector, Poona, is granted privilege leave for one month and twenty-two days with effect from the date of relief by Mr. C. G. Freke, I.C.S.

The services of the Rev. H. W. Spurling, Assistant Chaplain, Karachi, are placed at the disposal of the Government of India in the Army Department.

Mr. J. S. Khergamvala, LL.D. (London), Barrister-at-Law, to be Part-time Lecturer on Mercantile Law for the Accountancy Diploma Class at the Sydenham College of Commerce and Economics, Bombay, on Rs. 200 per mensem for a period of one year with effect from 29th January, 1918, vice Mr. B. V. Mehta, resigned.

15th Bombay Battalion.

The undermentioned gentlemen are granted temporary commissions, subject to his Majesty's approval:—

To be Lieutenant-Colonel and to command the Battalion.—Patrick Robert Cadell, C.I.E., V.D., dated 1st April, 1917.

To be Major and Second-in-Command.—Harold Ferdinand Bush, dated 1st April, 1917.

To be Majors.—Charles Noel Moberly, Harry Thomson Gorrie, dated 1st April, 1917.

To be Captains.—Henry James Dibbs, Norman Boyd Kinnear, Harold Eric Ormerod, Nigil Fairholt Paton, Neville Greaves Hunt, Robert Theodore Hope Mackenzie, William Rutton Searle Sharpe, Thomas Newton Begbie, Norman Wright Kemp, dated 1st April, 1917.

To be Lieutenants.—Harry Douglas Townend, William Sandford Hoseason, Albert Frederic Lucas Brayne, Guy Thomas Wright, Arthur Carrington Tyndale, Thomas Robert Aldred, Errol Samuel Riley, Percy Reginald Soundy, James McGrath, James Anderson Dickson McBain, C.I.E., dated 1st April, 1917.

To be Second Lieutenants.—Alexander Robert Burnett-Hurst, Wilfred Reginald Botterill, Morley Fox, Bertram Durell Barnes, dated 1st April, 1917.

John Tait, Richard Dubourdieu England, Henry Pelham Wentworth Macnaghten, Alfred Ernest Robinson, dated 7th February, 1918.

To be Major (Supernumerary List.)—Norman William Faith, V.D., dated 1st April, 1917.

To be Lieutenant (Supernumerary List).—Arthur Russell Bennett, dated 1st April, 1917.

17th Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway Battalion.

The undermentioned gentlemen are granted temporary commissions, subject to his Majesty's approval:—

To be Lieutenant-Colonel and to command the Battalion.—Robert Edward Pemberton Pigott, C.I.E., V.D., dated 1st April, 1917.

To be Major and Second-in-Command.—Charles Kater Dury Sidgwick, D.S.O., V.D., dated 1st April, 1917.

To be Captains.—Frederick James Page, Francis Graham Arnould, Nevil Marryat, John Alexander Jones, dated 1st April, 1917.

To be Lieutenants.—Gerald Durie Moore, Charles William Melville Collins, dated 1st April, 1917.

To be Second Lieutenants.—Homer Henry Miles, George Eric Rowland Slade, William Henry Peyton, Percy Neville Humphry Baker, William James Alexander, Moore, dated 1st April, 1917.

Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway Volunteer Rifles.

Major Charles Rimmington Scott, V.D. (Supernumerary List), resigns his commission, and is granted on retirement, the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, with permission to retain his rank, dated the 31st March, 1917.

Aden Volunteer Rifles.

Lieutenant Henry Stephens Lofting resigns his commission, dated 31st March, 1917.

The services of the Hon. Sir J. H. DuBoulay, Secretary to the Government of India in the Home Department, are replaced temporarily at the disposal of the Government of Bombay with effect from the 22nd March, 1918.

Mr. V. M. Griffiths, Superintending Engineer, is granted privilege leave in India for three months with effect from the 1st August, 1918, or the subsequent date of relief.

Mr. F. Wright, Chief Engineer in Sind, is appointed to act as Superintending Engineer, Indus Right Bank Division, in addition to his own duties, vice Mr. Griffiths or until further orders.

Mr. F. W. Wilson, Electrical Inspector, was relieved of his civil duties with effect from the 20th March, 1917, for taking up military duties.

Mr. C. G. Freke, I.C.S., Assistant Collector, Poona, is granted privilege leave for one month with effect from 2nd April, 1918, or the subsequent date on which he may be relieved.

Mr. Manilal Ajitrai Thakur, Huzur Deputy Collector, Thana, is granted privilege leave from 15th April to 17th May, 1918, both days inclusive.

Mr. A. F. Gonsalves, Extra Deputy Conservator of Forests, is granted leave on medical certificate for one month in continuation of the privilege leave granted to him.

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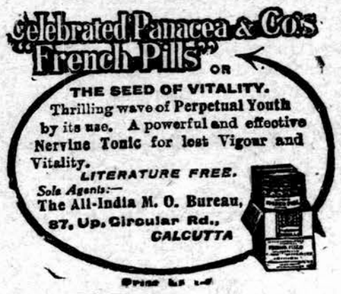

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SUNDAY, Mar. 31.

Easter Day.

Mails for Charbar, Muscat, Henjam, Linga, Bunder Abbas, Bahrein, Bushire, Gwadur and Koweit, will be closed at the Bombay General Post Office, at 8 a.m. Registered letters and parcels will be accepted up to 6-30 p.m. on Saturday.

Easter Sunday:—Children's Tea Party Catholic Library, 4-30 p.m.

MONDAY, April 1.

Easter Monday: Bank holiday.

TUESDAY, April 2.

Meeting of the Municipal Standing Committee 2-20 p.m. (B.T.).

Meeting of Bombay Co-operative Housing Association, Improvement Trust Office, 6 p.m.

AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.

Royal Opera House. Cinema at 6-45 and 10 p.m.

Excelsior Theatre: Bandman Comedy Co. at 9-30 p.m. and Cinema at 6-30 p.m.

Palace of Varieties: "Framjee's Aunt," Gaiety Theatre at 6-30 and 10 p.m.

Empire Cinema: 6-30, 8-15 and 10 p.m.

Majestic Cinema: Girgaum, near Tram Ter. minus, 7-0, 8-30 and 10-30.

West End Cinema: Charni Road, 5-30, 7-0 8-45 and 10-15.

Imperial Cinema: Lamington Road, 7-0, 8-45 and 10-30

New Alahambra Cinema: Sandhurst Road, 7, 8-45 and 10-30 (S. T.).

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New Alexandra Cinema: Lohar Chawl, Princess Street.

Eldorado Cinema: Lamington Road, 7, 8-45 and 10-15.

35TH POONA BATTALION—I D. F.

POONA, Mar. 28.

PART I.

540 Lecture.—A lecture will be given by Brigadier-General R. S. St. John, D.S.O., Embarkation Commandant, Bombay.

At Poona in the Divisional Library this day (Thursday) at 6-45 p.m.

Subject :—"Embarkation."

541 Kit Inspection.—There will be Kit Inspection for all N. C. O.'s and men below the rank of Sergeant, employed on the office staff, at 8 a.m. on the third Saturday of each month.

Every article of kit and clothing in possession is to be produced at this inspection, clothing sheets will be checked and deficiencies made up and charged to the individual.

542 Board.—A Board of Officers composed as under will assemble at Headquarters, 35th Poona Battalion, I.D.F., on Monday, 1st April, 1918, at 5-30 p.m. to audit the Magazine accounts for the season 1917-18 :—

President :—Major C. Graham Smith.

Members :—2nd-Lieut. T. Dobson and 2nd-Lieut. G. Wiles.

543 Dress.—The attention of all members of the Corps is invited to orders regarding Dress which is posted up at Headquarters.

PART II.

544 Move.—Sergeant W. L. Maconochie is authorized to proceed to Lonavla on Wednesday, 27th instant, on completion of duty at Headquarters.

(ii) The undermentioned are authorized to proceed to Headquarters of their detachments on completion of training with the 1st General Service Battalion at Poona :—

No. 392 Pte. N. N. Edalkaka, Sholapur.

No. 472 Pte. M. P. Satarawalla, Satara.

(iii) No. 25 Pte. G. K. Contractor is authorized to proceed to Baroda on demobilization of 1st General Service Battalion, I. D. F.

545 Leave.—The undermentioned are granted leave of absence for the period stated against their names :—

No. 103 Pte. P. Braganza, B. Company, from 1-4-1918 to 31-5-1918.

No. 135 Pte. J. F. Gonsalves, A. Company, from 27-3-1918 to 3-4-1918.

No. 91 Corpl. P. S. Writer, A. Company, from 28-3-1918 to 1-4-1918.

2nd-Lieut. E. E. Coombs, B. Company, from 27-3-1918 to 2-4-1918.

No. 65 Pte. P. N. Nariman, A. Company, from 1-4-1918 to 10-6-1918.

No. 16 Pte. E. J. Baria, A. Company, from 1-4-1918 to 10-6-1918.

546 Increase.—The undermentioned is taken on the strength of the Corps and posted to "B" Company from 26th March, 1918 :—

No. 812 Pte. U. O'Brien (transferred from 9th Mussoorie Battalion, I. D. F.).

NOTICE.

There will be no Musketry practice on the Range on Saturday, 30th March.

2. The Adjutant's office will be closed (except for business of an urgent nature) from Friday, 29th instant, to Monday, 1st proximo inclusive, on account of Easter holidays.

BAND AT THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

By kind permission of Colonel T. W. Bonner, V.D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battn., G. I. P. Rly. Regt. will play a programme of music, under the direction of Mr. Hugh B. Mitchell, Bandmaster, on Saturday, commencing at 6 p.m.

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During the year 1917, the Government of H. H. The Maharaja of Mysore ordered the annual Dasara Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition to be confined to the Mysore State. This year, the Mysore Durbar have ordered that the Exhibition be thrown open to all India as in previous years, and the Prospectus will be issued at an early date.

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COMPULSORY EDUCATION.

PROPAGANDIST WORK IN THE PRESIDENCY.

At the first meeting of the General Committee of the Association held early this month. The Hon. Mr. Harchandrai Vishindas presiding, the following resolution was passed :—

The official name of this organisations will, be "The Compulsory Education Association" with its *central* office in Bombay with the Hon. Mr. V. J. Patel as chairman and Mr. A. V. Thakkar as the General Secretary.

The secretary was requested to draft rules and regulations for the working of the Association and to prepare a Budget to carry on the propagandist work in the Presidency an dto sumit both at the next meeting of the Association.

At the suggestion of Mr. Jairamdas, the following Divisional Committees were agreed to and the secretary was requested to communicate with the members of the Divisional Committees, to work for the furtherance of compulsory education in their respective Divisions :—

Sind. The Hon. Mr. Harchandrai Vishindas, the Hon. Mr. G. M. Bhurgri, and Mr. Jairamdas Dowlatram, Secretary, with powers to add.

Northern Division.—Mr. A. V. Thakkar and , Mr. Indulal, K. Yajnik. (Hon. Secretaries), the Gujerat Kelavani Mandal was requested to co-operate in the work, and to appoint a Committee of its own to work in the Division.

Central Division.—The Hon. Mr. R. P. Paranjpye, the Hon. Mr. S. B. Upasani, the Hon. R. B. G. K. Sathe, the Hon. Mr. B. S. Kamat (Secretary) with powers to add, and Mr. R. P. Karandikar.

Southern Division.—The Hon. Mr. P. A. Desai, the Hon. Mr. D. V. Belvi, Rao Bahadur R. G. Naik, and Mr. Marathe (Secretary), with powers to add.

The island and the city of Bombay was left out of consideration in the present scope of the Association's work as the Act did not apply to Bombay.

The General Secretary of the Central Office was requested to ask the Divisional secretaries to form their own committees and also request them to include in their committees municipal councillors who can exercise a good deal of influence and those interested in the subject, so that the objects of the Association may be fully realised. They should be requested to communicate the result to the General Secretary.

It was resolved to publish the authenticated copy of the Compulsory Education Act in four languages (Gujerati, Marathi, Kanerese and Sindhi) and distribute those copies to the Divisional Committees and to those who are interested in the spread of Primary Education. It was also resolved to incorporate the Bandra Scheme with Mr. Thakkar's Note on Primary Education into one and have it printed and to send copies to all the Municipalities in the Presidency.

BOMBAY CHURCHES.

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Clergy :—English.—Rev. Canon R. S. Heywood, M.A., Rev. H. W. Lea-Wilson, M.A.
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BOMBAY AMUSEMENTS.

THE IMPERIAL.

At the Imperial Cinema, Lamington Road, is still to be seen the Pathe serial "The Fatal Ring"; and the seventh and eighth episodes this week reveal a further chapter in the adventures of the wonderful diamond. Tom Carlton, Pearl's lover, will be murdered by the evil agents of the Secret Society if the diamond is not produced, and though it is discovered and delivered by Pearl in the nick of time, it is again stolen before Tom is safe and once again Pearl sets out in quest of it in the face of the machinations of her arch-enemy Carslake and whether she succeeds or not habitues of the Imperial must go and learn for themselves. For the rest the programme is well varied. There is another instalment of "The History of the War" and the latest Pathe Gazette for those who enjoy "the war in pictures," a beautiful travel film called "American Switzerland," a series of animated cartoons, and finally an amusing comic entitled "The Exploits of Marius".

DU CASSE FILMS IN BOMBAY.

To-morrow is the opening night of the Du Casse Cinema fortnight at the Royal Opera House and large audiences are expected at 6-45 and 10 o'clock. The programme is a very full one, with Matheson Lang's screen masterpiece "The House Opposite" at the top. The theme of this remarkable film is, in brief, a choice of one woman's life and another's honour. As a play the piece was seen at the Savoy some time ago. The comic to-morrow is one of the new Triangle-Keystone brand in two reels; there are also a cartoon and the Pathe Gazette. Special mention must again be made of the popular prices to be charged during the coming fortnight, a stall costing only a rupee and a seat in the gallery two annas. The first change of programme will be made on Monday next when, besides Ethel Barrymore in "The Greatest Power," there will be the Bairnsfather cartoons and two other comics. The third programme will be shown on Wednesday.

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A COMMUNISTIC CODE.

Two youths of 18 figured as prisoners in a charge of burglary at Middlesex Sessions in mail week when an extraordinary story of their exploits was told. They were Harold Victor Baron—son of an interned German—and Cyril Henry Mumford, who was described by Mr. Huntly Jenkins as "one of the most extraordinary boys the Bench has ever had to deal with."

Seven charges of burglary at Bush Hill Park Enfield, Winchmore Hill, and other places were brought against Baron and Mumford, the value of the stolen property being between £300 and £400. They pleaded guilty and were sentenced to a year's detention under the Borstal system.

As told by Mr. A. Bryan, ceunsel for the prosecution, and witnesses, the story was an extraordinary one. They were arrested at a house at Crouch End, which they had entered through a window. They were wearing black silk masks and both had life preservers, daggers, and a bottle of ether. At the police station Mumford tried to "sidle" to the door, and pointing a revolver at a police officer, called "Hands Up." He was disarmed, and the revolver was found to be loaded. Ammunition was found at the homes of both prisoners, and at the house where they slept. They had been using rifles, stolen from a volunteer drill hall.

ALL SORTS OF APPLIANCES.

Inspector Neil said both boys had a mechanical turn of mind, and their houses were fitted up with all sorts of appliances.

Chairman of Sessions: A scientific school of burglary.

It was further stated that both lads had served an apprenticeship to a well-known firm of photographers. In a cellar at Buron's house 15lb. of explosive powder, gelignite, and a quantity of blasting powder was found, together with some bottles of sulphuric acid, ten rifles, and a quantity of ammunition, as well as chemical phials and test tubes.

The boys were also in possession of a sort of Communistic code, which evidently applied to a gang, and some of the articles were:—

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To sell nothing without the consent of the Chief.

That my share of the proceeds is to be 10 per cent. on all cash and goods from operation in which I participate and nil on all others.

Another clause in the code enjoined members to procure, for personal use, revolver and rifle, ammunition, mask, life preserver, bowie knife, skeleton keys, et.—"The Daily Chronicle."

A correspondent wires from Kottayam:—Great commotion prevails in the town consequent on the attempted conversion by the C. M. S. Mission of a school going Nair girl. Criminal cases and public meetings followed. The girl has been recovered from the Mission principal's house by civil order The girl returned to her guardian.

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GIRL'S SECRET DISCLOSED BY ARMY "CALL UP."

For two years a Lambeth girl of 18, named Ellen Harriet Capon, has been going about dressed as a man, and has even "walked out" with another girl, who was, however, in her secret. So also were her family; but no one else knew her secret until it was disclosed by her being called up for the Army, says the "Daily Chronicle."

According to the story told in the police-court in mail week when she was charged with "masquerading in male attire," the circumstances of Capon's family made it imperative that she should do all in her power to add to the family income. She is one of a family of six, and her mother is in precarious health. The situation was talked over, and two years ago she got an opening as a wire-worker. She worked under the name of Charles Capon, and in that name obtained a protection, certificate. One reason for wearing male attire was that she could earn more money as a man.

It was also stated that Capon had done well by her family with the money she had earned.

Mr. Leycester (magistrate): What are you going to do now, Capon?

Capon: I shall work on the land now.

Mr. Leycester then remanded her in her own recognisances in £5, and said he should want to be informed what she was going to do. If she really meant to go on the land, that would be the best thing for her, and he would like to see her father about it.

MISS CAPON TELLS HER STORY.

Miss Capon is a sturdy girl of eighteen. Her brown hair, now cut short, curls round her head and sets off her chubby face, making her pass very well for a handsome boy of refined features.

In an interview she told the story of her adventure. "Through a friend," she said, "I heard of an opening for a 'youth' in the City, where a good and remunerative trade could be learnt.

"The work was wire-working, fixing wire netting round electric light globes and other kinds of glass-work. I could start with a man that I knew.

"We talked it over at home, and at last I decided, with the consent of my people, to assume a boy's attire, and apply for the situation. I did so, and got it.

"Since then I have done very well, and was beginning to earn good money. This was very useful at home, for mother has been ill for a long time, and the expenses of her illness have been very great. The money I have been able to earn has helped to keep the younger members of the family.

"I worked under the name of Charles Capon, and in that name I obtained a protection certificate. No one knew that I was a girl until I was called up.

Asked as to whether she had any difficulty in keeping up her role as a boy, Miss Capon said there was none. She went to the City every day, nobody being any the wiser.

"But I have got quite used to boy's clothes," she said. "Really, now, I hardly know myself in skirts. I have got some of the wire work to do at home, and I shall continue that work until I can get on the land. I am anxious to do that, because the land girls wear special uniforms which are something like what I have been used to of late."

Asked as to the story of her "walking out" with a young lady, Miss Capon said it was not altogether true. She had a girl friend who went out with her, but this friend knew she was a girl, but did not betray her secret.

WOMAN V. ARMED MEN.

DEFEATS RAIDERS WITH A BROOM.

Armed and masked raiders who attempted to invade a farmhouse at Kinvara, co. Galway, caught a Tartar in the person of the farmer's daughter, who pluckily kept the raiders at bay with a broom until her father arrived with a loaded rifle and drove them off.

The men knocked at the door of the house, which belongs to Mr. John Finucane, and sought admission in the name of a neighbour, and on the door being opened, the party rushed in and demanded the farmer's guns at revolver point.

Miss Finucane resisted them, and during the struggle the men fired at her, but fortunately the shot went wide. Seizing a broom, the lady belaboured the raiders with it to such purpose that she was able to hold them off until her father came home with his gun.

Mr. Finucane discharged five shots at the men, who made off as fast as they could.—"The Daily Chronicle."

28 YEARS TO PAY BACK REKT.

A carman named John Henry Stewart was sued in Bow County Court in mail week by his landlord for £50 in respect of rent. He had not paid anything for two years. Judge Graham, in ordering defendant to pay 3s. a month, said it did not matter if the debt amounted to £5,000. It was a question of how much could be paid.

At the rate of 3s. a month it will take 28 years to pay off the debt.

ALL-INDIA WEATHER.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

SIMLA, Mar. 28.

Weather is more disturbed in north and rain has fallen locally in north Baluchistan, north west frontier province snow in Kashmir, thunder showers continued in south peninsula. Chief amounts are Madura one and a half inches, Chitaldrug three quarters, Sonamarg, Robat a half. Temperature has risen generally but still considerably below average.

Forecast:—Increase of rain in north-west frontier provinces and Kashmir, extension into Punjab.

POLITICAL PRISONERS IN BENGAL.

RROTEST AGAINST SOLITARY CONFINEMENT.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Mar. 28.

At to-day's meeting of the Bengal Legislative Council three Resolutions were moved regarding the treatment of "detenus."

The first resolution asked for facilities enabling detenus to appear at University Examinations. Sir Henry Wheeler in reply said that the initial difficulty rested with the candidates' satisfying the requirements of the university. Another resolution which was accepted by Government asked for the appointment of a Medical Board to examine the detenu Jyotish Chandra Ghose who is now under detention in the Berhampore Lunatic Asylum and to investigate the cause of his insanity.

The Hon. Mr. Akhil Chunder Dutt in moving resolution prohibiting the accommodation of political prisoners in solitary cells said:—

"The views of the Indian public have been brought to the notice of the Government in various ways as regards the detention of these men in solitary cells. I dont like to recapitulate those reasons, but I will only state the reasons in brief as to why these ought not to be kept in solitary cells. protest against solitary confinement, because it is illegal. I protest against solitary confinement because according to medical opinion, it is injurious to health inducing general breakdown. I protest against it because we learn from Major Arthur George Frederic Griffiths, his Majesty's Inspector of Prisons, that some advanced thinkers have denounced the institution of cells as the greatest crime of the present age. I protest against solitary confinement because it is an untried principle of medical science. The history of solitary confinement in Bengal for the last three or four years established beyond doubt that the inevitable effect of such confinement in most cases is mental breakdown and insanity. I protest against it because cloistered seclusion is an artificial condition quite at variance with human instincts and habits. I protest against it because Regulation 3 of 1818 lays down that due attention should be paid to the health of every state prisoner confined under that regulation. I protest against it because apart from the express provision of the Regulation, the principle cannot be disputed that every political prisoner is the ward of the State and the State is bound in law and in honour to take proper care of their health. I protest against it because in spite of our repeated requests, the Government has not yet told us why and under what law political prisoners are confined in solitary cells".

In conclusion he said the public were quite in the dark as to on what grounds the prisoners were confined in solitary cells. He maintained that the public had a right to know what were the exceptional reasons and circumstances under which such an extreme measure had been adopted by the Government.

WHAT IS A CELL?

Sir Henry Wheeler made an important statement replying to the resolution moved by Mr. Akil Chunder Dutt for the issue of an order prohibiting accommodation in solitary cells of political prisoners. Sir Henry Wheeler said the use of the word "cell" had been taken advantage of to conjure up pictures and visions which were not consistent with facts.

"Cells" were represented as dark, unhealthy, dangerous in which people were thrown in, forgotten by men and cut off from communication with the outer world. The cell of an Indian Jail was not of that character. Cells be had seen, and as visitors to jail must know, were separate compartments usually in a row either facing on the general yard or in some cases with small inclosures attached to them. The reasons why Regulation III prisoners were kept in these cells were mainly these:—

First, if not placed in these cells they would be grouped with the ordinary convicts, and against that there would certainly be complaints and reasonablle complaints. It would at once be made a very serious grievance if these men were herded with convicts under the ordinary law. Secondly, by placing a man in a cell it was possible to accord him more favourable treatment in certain respects that would otherwise be the case. Thirdly, in the interests of Jail discipline it was impossible to allow these men unrestricted association. Many of them were dangerous characters and if allowed unrestricted association, the authorities had every reason to believe that they would use it to plot against the discipline of the jail. He would merely remind the council that in the early days of this movement owing to gross laxity, arms were smuggled into a certain jail and a gross murder was committed, while only the other day in consequence of laxity a number of political prisoners had escaped from Hazaribagh jail.

A PLEASING PICTURE.

Sir Henry then dealt with the point these men were in solitary confinement. His answer was that these men were not detained in solitary confinement. Solitary confinement was a definite thing. There were three kinds of confinements namely solitary cellular, and separate—all of which were defined in the Jail Code. Solitary confinement was confinement in a cell with or without labour so as to entirely exclude the prisoner from the sight of or communication with other prisoners. These prisoners were provided with special furniture; They were allowed to wear their own clothes, and if they had none provisions were made by the Government and they received the food and comforts which they were accustomed to at home, and were supplied with cigarettes and tobacco. Further they were allowed to see their relatives, a special day being set apart for that purpose. They were allowed to write one or two letters in a week according to the category in which they were. They were not allowed to read newspapers, but they had been allowed to have news of the war and recently had been allowed to see the Illustrated edition of the "Times of India". The rules were that all political prisoners should be allowed to take exercise outside their cells for at least one hour both morning and evening. During that period they were allowed to associate under supervision with one another. They were also allowed to have a course of physical drill and were permitted to indulge in carpentry or any other useful work. They were permitted to have books from the jail library. These were the Government rules for the treatment of these men and in no sense could that treatment be described as solitary confinement. To characterise that treatment solitary confinement was, he submitted, an absolute misrepresentation of the facts. The resolution was lost. The Council adjourned to 4th April for Budget Discussion.

PROVINCIAL BALANCE.

In reply to another question Government replied that the total amount credited to the provincial balances on account of grants to Dacca University up to March 31st 1918 was 24 lakhs non-recurring grant and twenty seven lakhs seventy thousands recurring grants.

In reply to Mr. Akhil Chandra Datta the Hon'ble Mr. Kerr said that the order for arrest of the Sindhubala of Bankura was passed on the authority of the Deputy Inspector General of Police, Intelligence Branch and Mr. E. H. Corbett was temporary Deputy Inspector General, Intelligence Branch at the time.

After questions were answered Sir Henry Wheeler formally presided and the budget of the Government of Bengal for 1918-19 was presented. The only change made in the figures included in the revised financial statement was the addition of Rs. 12.000 under the head of cooperative societies.

POSTAL SERVANTS CONVICTED FOR SUICIDE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

RANGOON, Mar. 27.

The District Magistrate, Rangoon, to-day sentenced J. Daniel, a Tamil Christian Sub-Assistant Postmaster, East Rangoon P.O., to three years rigorous imprisonment and Rs. 1,000 fine (or 12 months rigorous imprisonment in default) and Ismatali, his head clerk, to six months rigorous imprisonment and Rs. 500 fine, the former committing criminal breach of trust in respect of Rs. 1,500 for V. P. P.. parcels and the latter for ordinary parcels. In setting the facts of the case the magistrate remarked that these two men were in league. Ismatali is being tried in another court for attempting to commit suicide on February 17th.

CALCUTTA SENATE'S REPORT.

MR. FINLAY SHIRRAS PROTESTED.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Mar. 28.

Mr. Findlay Shirras has addressed the Senate of the Calcutta University a protest against the submission to the Government of India for sanction of regulations to provide for examinations in commerce, technology and agriculture. The reasons urged by him are that the University should await the considered opinion of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce especially as the university has asked for it, that the University Commission as the Commission has, it is presumed, under consideration the general question of vocational instruction and the proposals regarding which the senate proposes to the Government of India for sanction and, that the scheme drawn up by the Committee has several flaws namely, proposed placing of commerce under the faculty of arts. Further the questions of staff and ways and means have not been dealt with in the scheme.

GERMAN ATTACKS IN MASSES.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

ALLAHABAD, Mar. 28.

The "Pioneer's" special cables:—

The battle in France constitutes the supreme test of German versus Allies' beliefs the German and Allies' methods arising therefrom. "Jeles grignote" was Marshal Joffre's phrase early in the war. Later the British high command was often credited with the belief that the enemy could be turned out of France and Belgium at almost any moment if the Allies cared to pay the necessary price in casualties. Some of Marshal Joffre's critics held that nibbling must in the end cost as much as more violent methods and it would have been better to have equal casualties in a shorter time and attain a definite strategic advantage. That has always been German view. Last year we perfected the methods whereby we carried out successful attacks with only seventy-five per cent of the defenders' casualties. The German method has always been a ruthless one relying always on discipline never on the morale of the men or individual initiative. They still attack in masses. For them the pre-war estimate that a superiority of four to one is necessary to a successful attack on a prepared position remains true. Whereas we attacked in 1916-1917 by an economical method which we were prepared to continue indefinitely. The German ruthless method can obviously be maintained only for strictly limited periods. Unless in that time the enemy can carry out important enveloping operations the result can only be a gain of some ground at a cost altering the odds in the Allies' favour. The German method was tried at Verdun with an undoubted artillery superiority and a nearer approach to equality in the air than the enemy recently attained. It is believed here that only the desperate need of a decision can have made him try again in the face of such inferiority in the air as this year's reports have shown. The huge force with which the attack has been made has lost enormously. Its losses impose a terrible drain on the enemy's man power resources and unless a crushing victory can be won as a result of this supreme effort the drain must tell.

HOCKEY IN BOMBAY.

AGA KHAN TOURNAMENT: SECOND ROUND.

LUSITANIANS (4) BEAT IGATPURI (0)

The meeting between these two teams in the second round of the above tournament on the Oval on Thursday, produced a very one-sided game, the Lusitanians having an easy walk over the visitors from Igatpuri by the substantial margin of four goals to nil. But for the magnificent goal-keeping of Goddard, the Igatpuri custodian, the score might have been a dozen and a quarter. The outstanding feature of the evening's exhibition was the marvellous goal-keeping by Goddard, who practically played against the five Lusitanian forwards and brought off marvellous saves time after time which elicited rounds of applause from the spectators. As already stated the exhibition was very one-sided from start to finish as throughout the Lusitanians kept up vigorous on slaughts on the Igatpuri goal Marcus D'Souza scored the first and second goals for the Lustianians during the initial period while after ends had been changed Cyriaco D'Souza after a few stinging well-directed shots had failed to find their billet, dribbled and squeezing between the two back scored the third goal. Towards the close Marcus D'Souza increased the lead. After some desultory and ill-concerted efforts to reduce the margin by the Igatpuri boys, the game ended in a victory for the Lusitanians as stated. The teams were:—

Lusitanians:—Fernandez; Dominic and Faria; Martin, Pais and Pinto; John D'Souza, Nelson D'Souza, Marcus D'Souza Cyriaco D'Souza and Carvalho.

Igatpuri:—Goddard; Eagle and McMullan; Cribb, Boult and Gurr; Morrison, Hadriff, Brown Weber and D'Souza.

Umpires:—Messrs. Everton and Kapadia.

SATURDAY'S GAME.

Grant Medical College v. Deolali Casuals

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

FIRST ROUND.

(1) Rangers beat Elphinstone College (6—3).

(2) Lusitanians beat Government Telegraphs (5—0).

(3) Hornets beat Islam Gymkhana (8—0).

(4) Bombay Gymkhana beat Grant Medicals (A) (0—0), (1—0).

(5) R. G. A. (Colaba) beat Embarkation S. and T. Corps (1—0).

(6) Grant Medical College beat Bandra C. R. S. A. (5—0).

SECOND ROUND.

(A) Hindu Gymkhana beat Instituto Luso Indiano (2—1).

(B) Parsi Hockey Association beat Parsi Pioneers (8—1).

(C) Lusitanians beat Igatpuri, 4—0.

GRAND BENEFIT CONCERT.

IN AID OF DR. PARAKH HOSPITAL.

A Grand Charity Entertainment was given yesterday evening under the distinguished patronage and presence of Lady Tata, in aid of Dr. Parakh Hospital, at the Empire Theatre. There was a large audience, including the elite of Bombay Society, Parsi ladies and gentlemen preponderating and a good sum was realised.

The programme consisted of no less than fifteen varied items, each of which was received with great interest. The Sanjan March, conducted by Mr. J. H. Khodaiji was much appreciated. Amongst other items mention might be made of an interesting song by Mr. James McGrath. The comic sketch of "Home Rule" drew forth repeated laughter from the audience. The comic Interlude by Mr. and Mrs. Melbourne both of whom were attired in Parsi dress from top to toe, was well-received. A Hindustani Song was well rendered by Miss Serene F. Mulla-Feroze. The songs given by Miss Gool Meher Homji and Mrs. Shera Kapadia were also excellent.

Sir N. G. Chandavarkar, thanked Lady Tata for her patronage. He said he was gratified to see in the bumper house the presence of soldiers, European and Indian, who were doing so much for the cause of the Empire. He then announced that Mr. Pallonji Sorabji had generously given a sum of Rs. 5,000 for the fund of Dr. Parakh's Hospital. The Institution one of the most useful in Bombay.

NATIONAL INDIAN ASSOCIATION (LADIES BRANCH.)

Next Thursday, at the discourse on behalf of the Ladies Branch of the National Indian Association, Miss Cunliffe intends to bring some of her trained pupils practically to demonstrate by them how the different exercises develop the different muscles. To suit the convenience of these pupils, the Members are requested to take heed that the hour is changed from 5-30 to 6 p.m. (S.T.) and also that the Residence of Mrs. Robertson is not on the Ridge, but on Pawai Road via Mount Pleasant Road, Malabar Hill."

POLITICAL FERMENT AND INDUSTRIAL UNREST.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

MADRAS, Mar. 28.

At the annual general meeting of the Southern India Chamber of Commerce yesterday Rao Bahadur P. Thygaraya Chetty president referring to India's industrial needs said the industrial unrest in this country was more potent and was at back of all political unrest. If imperative needs in this respect were not promptly attended to they were bound to go under the stress and strife of modern competition and difficulties that might arise one day might overwhelm India and the Empire of which it is a part.

Official and Personal.

H. E. the Governor of Bombay has accepted the resignation by the Hon. Mr. Vitalbhai Javerbhai Patel, of his office as an Additional Member of the Bombay Legislative Council.

It is expected that Sir V. Lovett K.C.S.I., Member of the Bengal Conspiracies Committee will return to the United Provinces towards the end of April and will resume charge as Member of Board of Revenue.

EAST KHANDESH CONFERENCE.

(From a Correspondent.)

DHARANGAON, Mar. 28.

The Reception Committee of the East Khandesh District Conference have resolved to hold the Conference on the 20th and 21st April at Dharangaon when Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas of Bombay will preside.

THE HEALTH OF THE CITY.

The small-pox epidemic in Bombay is still in an almost static condition, with a slight tendency towards abatement. There were 86 deaths and 161 attacks (including five imported cases) last week, as against 82 deaths 189 attacks reported in the week previous. It is still premature to say whether Bombay has seen the worst in regard to this fell disease. Every one hopes so, at least. Plague, on the other hand, continues to be on the increase which is, of course, to be expected. There were 49 attacks and 36 deaths, being 12 attacks and 3 deaths more than in the previous week. Six of the cases were imported ones. In the corresponding week of last year as many as 68 deaths had occurred, while the past quinquennial mean was still higher, viz., 84. Cholera was absent throughout last week, while deaths from other diseases were reported as follows:—Phthisis 15, other diseases of the respiratory system 339, tubercular diseases 18, diarrhoea 36, dysentry 21, measles 32, enteric 2 and malaria 3. The total weekly mortality stood at 954, being an increase of 31 deaths over the previous figure. The total number of births was 405.

Mr. G. R. W. Molesworth, Assistant Commandant of the Military Police, Myitkyina Battalion, has been killed in the Chine Hills operation near Kengal Thang on the 24th March. He was withdrawing a picket when snipers in the jungle shot him at close range. Five bullets entered his body after which he hardly lived half an hour.

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THE COTTON PROFITEERS.

The Government are to be congratulated on the action they have at length taken as a first step, as we hope, in the process of doing something definite and immediate to deal with the grave situation that has existed in the cotton market for many weeks past. We publish on another page a notification that was issued yesterday calling upon all merchants, shippers, millowners, brokers, commission houses, muccadums and other persons doing business in cotton in Bombay, to disclose to the Controller of Prices all open contracts for every description of cotton bought or sold for delivery on the 25th April next and all future months, which are standing in their books on April 6th next. This is a sufficiently comprehensive order to afford the Government all the information of the cotton situation in regard to speculative dealing to enable them, in conjunction with the other information at their disposal, to come down with some drastic action that will put an end to a scandal that has lasted too long, and which threatens, not merely a commercial crisis, but consequences of the most serious character to the public at large. Already too much harm has been done in the satisfaction of the greed for gain on the part of a gang of selfish speculators and it is greatly to be regretted that the Government did not give freedom to the Controller of Prices to deal with the situation in an effective fashion earlier.

Exactly a month has passed since we first drew the attention of Government and the public to the grave situation that had arisen and the urgent need for official intervention and control of the reckless gambling going on in cotton. We pointed out the certainty of a crisis in the trade and the infliction of severe hardships on the masses of the people, already in many parts of the country goaded to distraction by the high prices they are forced to pay for cotton cloth. Our comments were ridiculed in certain interested quarters, but we can say to-day that every word we have printed on the subject has been justified by what has occurred in the interval. We have no desire to make much of that, but we do want to point out to the authorities concerned that by failing then to take note of the warning that was uttered much valuable time has been wasted and a crisis has occurred that might have been averted, complicating a situation that it would have been easier to cope with a few weeks ago then is the case now. The price of Good Broach was then 630. When the crisis broke on the trade the other day it had been carried to 700, and, even during the eventful days that followed, when the market was closed, the bull speculators—determined to carry thithing things forward under any circumstances—managed to force it up further and present dealings are at 800 or more. All this might have been avoided by prompt official action. The result of leaving the trade to settle the matter for itself has produced a confused and unfortunate position. That anomalous body the Board of the Cotton Trade Association has done its best at every turn to defeat the object which the general body of the trade desire to achieve, which is the object which coincides with the public interest. The manner in which this has been and is being done is set forth in very plain language in the letter from a Cotton Merchant which appears on another page and we commend his illuminating story to the attention of the authorities who have to deal with this matter.

The Committee of Enquiry appointed by the Government commenced its sittings yesterday, but we trust that the Government do not propose to allow action to be delayed by waiting upon their deliberations. The Committee, as we said when it was appointed, is a thoroughly unsatisfactory body in its constitution. Undue representation has been given to the very interests that have everything to gain by delaying or averting altogether Government action. One of the members in particular, who is believed to be strongly interested in the bulling of cotton, has been a notorious obstacle during the past few weeks to any settlement of the crisis that would be in the public interest, and to our mind his presence on the Committee at all, as well as certain others who are strongly interested on the same side, is a scandal. But we hope that Government will not be dependent on this Committee, so far as the immediate situation is concerned. Their business is to check profiteering and protect the public from operations which have the effect of artificially inflating prices and inflicting grave and avoidable hardship on the public. The recent speculation in cotton which has forced the price of the raw material to an artificial and unparalleled height, is as gross an instance of profiteering as can be imagined and those who have carried it on for their own gain deserve to be treated as enemies of the public interest and dealt with in the most drastic fashion, instead of being invited by Government to sit on a committee to consider how the public interest shall be protected. The proceeding is farcical, but it has its tragic aspect, which is more important. The only way in which the Government can rectify their blunder is by giving the Controller a free hand to deal with a situation that calls for immediate action. We hope the order that has just been issued for the disclosure of contracts is an earnest that this has been realised.

THE ROLE OF THE POLICE.

The full report of the proceedings of the Imperial Legislative Council in connection with the Hon. Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya's recommendation regarding the Police Services, furnishes some melancholy reading. The sting of the official defence consists, as usual, in a series of subtle assumptions which, when extended, necessitate the practical exclusion of Indians from the superior grades for an indefinite period. It is inevitable that there should be, in official apologies, comparisons as to the respective merits of recruits, Indian and European. The plea for the preponderance of the British element in the superior grades can be plausibly urged only on the theory that Indian candidates could not be expected to exhibit the qualities of character and decision which are hypothetically the peculiar traits of the average British recruit. The rejection of the Indian or the limitation of his prospects on grounds other than merit, would be in contravention of the pledges of Britain from 1858 till the present day. Hence, those who stand to gain by making the higher posts the exclusive preserve of their kith and kin, are constrained to discuss the inherent "inferiority" of the Indian and declare that competitive tests are not a safe criterion for the selection of candidates. If success in examinations be no presumption in favour of a candidate's efficiency, the defect of such a process should be no less an evil when competition for the Police Service is held in any country other than India. We know, however, the method adopted for the discovery of talent in London. Mixed with this fallacy of special criticism applied to Indians, there are some concealed and abstruse reasonings based on political necessities. A gentleman hailing from Calcutta thought that the desire of European residents that high officers should belong to their own community should weigh with the authorities. It does not apparently occur to him that the desire of the permanent population in the same respect is a rather more important consideration.

The resolution of the Hon. Pandit Malaviya contemplated no sudden change, but it did contemplate the partial rectification of a proposed rule which is utterly at variance with justice and fair dealing. Some critics, however, are under the illusion that to call a scheme "revolutionary", whether from genuine feeling or whimsical impulse, is to put it out of court. Every reform involves change, and champions of privilege seem to feel that they have said the last and clinching word by calling it "revolutionary." Not in its unregenerate sense, but in its vital meaning, we confess to a partiality for a revolution, say, once in five years—a shaking of the board and a reformative scrutiny of affairs by the representatives of the people or, if they fail, by the people themselves. A real revolution of this kind is overdue in India, and that is why the advocates of the bureaucracy and their allies seek to confound the benefits of far-reaching reform with the chaos of "Revolutions." A typical piece of political obscurantism came to the surface during the course of the discussion consisting of an *obiter dictum* delivered by the Hon. Mr. Fagan and repeated with approbation by the Home Member. It is the pernicious theory that the Police in India must be regarded as a quasi-military force. "Setting aside normal preventive work", said Sir William Vincent,

> "if disturbances or risings occur, our first line of defence is, as had already been observed, the police, and my own belief is that so long as the British Army is responsible for the protection of India from external aggression and internal disturbance, so long will it be necessary to retain in the superior ranks of the Police Force a substantial British minimum."

We may leave the conditional clause as it is, but the sense of the principal sentence can be refuted only by flat denial. Is the Police in India a quasi-military force? Such a characterisation of the Police of this country is positively pernicious and involves sanctions for police conduct which could not bear investigation. What inventive genius would claim for the police of any civilized country the status of a garrison or quasi-military force, and invest them with the liberty of administration associated with that of an army of occupation? The conclusion brought into relief is that in recruitment and promotion in the Police Services, some of the conditions familiar in the military policy of the Government have to be observed. The police are, and should be made to understand that they are, a purely civil force employed in subordination to a civil executive and expected to discharge duties pertaining to the civil administration of the country. In no other land where the people enjoy the rights of honourable citizenship would the executive dare to describe the police as anything resembling a military force or as anything but a branch of the civil administration. If the police are, as a quasi-military organisation responsible to the Executive, the Executive in India must normally be something more than a quasi-military organisation. The duties of the police in a country like Britain consist mainly in the detection and prevention of crime, the subjugation of civil disorders and the execution of judicial mandates. In India, however, they are privileged to assume random functions, possibly on the analogy that the execution of military duties often gives to military forces a certain immunity from civil responsibility and invests them with the right to override, as a matter of State necessity, the restraints of law. In India, with their elaborate system of the Intelligence Department, the police are given *carte blanche*, but as a defence or even as an apotheosis, the dictum of the Home Member is absolutely gratuitous and unconstitutional. Sir William Vincent did not say on what authority he based his pronouncement and we believe that neither in the constitutional history of India nor in what might be called its legal conventions, is there any warrant justifying this novel doctrine.

There is one general consideration to be borne in mind about the growth of police expenditure. It is no use deceiving ourselves or coaxing our "masters" into sanity in regard to Police Budgets. As long as the bureaucracy endeavours to preserve its powers undiminished, and as long as this mood is threatened by the claim of the people for more freedom, it is in the interests of the bureaucracy to extend and fortify the agency of the police. It is not the increase of crime, in the Police Court sense of the word, that necessitates unconscionable expenditure. The depth of political ferment should be ascertained by officialdom in their own interests and since this temper of official necessity prevails, the demand of the public for the curtailment of police expenditure is so much a cry in the wilderness. It is a political necessity annexed to ambitions of bureaucratic permanence. Additional expenditure, especially on the C. I. D., is the price that the taxpayer pays for the reluctance of the bureaucracy to gain the confidence of, and be responsible to, the people. The role of the police in India is unique in all conscience and will be only remedied *pari passu* with our advance to Responsible Government. If, as from the official standpoint, the spread of discontent and the progress of public agitation are co-extensive with a capacity for mischief and even crime in this country, we have to say that the enlargement of the machinery of vigilance does not keep pace with the movements it purports to watch in the interests of public safety. No conceivable method of pursuit or detection would enable the police, with say crores of rupees to back them, exhaustively to watch the operations of the new spirit abroad, for they are on the chase for a thing that is healthy, great and exceedingly elusive. The discretion of the police has to be confined within the precincts of law. They are in all civilized countries liable to prosecution for breach of the law when they commit it in the course of their duties. In this country, however, offences of the police are sought to be screened and offenders can invariably depend on the support of the Government in their own defence. The conditions that prevail make this sort of mollycoddling natural to the bureaucracy and intelligible to us. The conditions have therefore to be altered.

Notes of the Day.

The Munition Workers.

While the whole Empire cannot too keenly realise the fortitude, courage and self-sacrifice with which the troops under Field-Marshal Haig's command have heroically resisted greatly superior numbers, it should not forget that the same qualities are being brought to bear in no less a degree by the workers in the munition factories. The success of the soldiers fighting in the trenches will depend on the manner in which the soldiers in these factories set themselves to their task. On them, therefore, a specially heavy responsibility rests. That is the reason why Mr. Churchill has appealed to them to make special efforts to replace the serious losses in guns, machine-guns and ammunition. He has deprecated making a holiday at Easter but has acknowledged the assurances already given by men in many districts that there will be no loss of output. This will not be the first time that the munition workers will forego this holiday which they, more than others, have pre-eminently earned. It is well that all those who are now enjoying it should call to mind the debt which the whole Empire owes to the self-sacrifice of these workers.

The Lichnowsky Revelations.

The two principal points made in Prince Lichnowsky's memorandum were the earnest efforts made on behalf of the British Government to preserve and promote the peace of Europe and the fact that the sole responsibility for the war should be laid at the door of Germany who might have had peace if she wanted it but who deliberately spurned it in order to realise her unholy ambitions. The further revelations of Prince Lichnowsky cabled this morning are chiefly valuable as bringing into stronger relief the conflicting ideals which have continued to guide the policies of Britain and Germany. Britain, according to Lichnowsky's showing, was anxious to cement closer relations with Germany by encouraging her legitimate aspirations because she was concerned for the peace of the world. Germany, though professedly friendly, thwarted these efforts because she saw in their fruition the destruction of her ambition for world domination. Thus while Britain true to her object, through her great peace minister, favoured open and straight diplomacy, Germany to fulfil her nefarious scheme clung to the secret and crooked path—with the inevitable result that there was, to use Prince Lichnowsky's expressive phraseology, "another war sacrifice."

Comforts for detenus.

Sir Henry Wheeler's description of the "solitary confinement" of political prisoners in Bengal is much like the stories of secluded princes in the Arabian Nights. Sir Henry Wheeler's first point was that when they spoke of confinement in "cells," they would be in error to think of dungeons. For which relief much thanks. He then proceeded to describe the solicitude with which the daily life of a detenu is regulated by officials. Food to which he was accustomed at home is given; books, that is to say, such as are found in the "jail library" are supplied for his edification; he is looked after in his exercise; he is permitted "to indulge in carpentry"; he is not allowed to mix with ordinary convicts; he sees no newspapers except that innocuous, if dull, journal the "Times of India Illustrated Weekly." Ordinarily, the detenu under Regulation III of 1818 is kept alone, but Sir Henry Wheeler is averse to feeling that it is solitary confinement.

Sir Henry Wheeler and Mr. Squeers.

If this is true and the conveniences are not irksome, it is still the medieval Bourbon practice tempered with some mercy; but for such mercy, the conditions under which he lives would exterminate the hardiest prisoner in two years. That all have not gone mad and not committed suicide, is really to the credit of the Government. But the most royal comforts for a prisoner which earth can give, are not half so prized by him as his right to be fairly heard in his own defence. The denial of that elementary right, the ignoring, the isolation, the knowledge of absolute innocence in the case of many, the desolation of home and the taint on his future,—all these combine to deepen the bitterness of the detenu. To those who realise the human aspect, Sir Henry Wheeler's complacency about the "comforts" that detenus enjoy is no more agreeable than the boasts of Mr. Squeers regarding the pleasures of Dotheboys Hall.

A Note of Warning.

At the annual general meeting of the Southern India Chamber of Commerce yesterday, Rao Bahadur Theygaraya Chetty said that the industrial unrest in the country was more potent than and at the back of all political unrest. While it is a half-truth to say that political unrest is determined by industrial unrest, the Rao Bahadur does not seem to have sufficiently realised the fundamental cause of the former, namely, the denial to the people of the country of their natural right to govern it and thereby to attain their self-realisation. There is no doubt, however, that the industrial domination of the country has been quite as insidious and as harmful as political domination. And Rao Bahadur Theygaraya did not put it very strongly when he said that if the imperative industrial needs of the people were not promptly attended to they were bound to go under in the stress and strife of modern competition and the difficulties that might arise one day might overwhelm India and the Empire of which it is a part. It is for British statesmen to take due note of this warning.

FIERCE FIGHTING ON THE SOMME.

BRITISH COUNTER-ATTACKS COMMENCE.

MORLANCOURT AND CHIPILLY RECAPTURED.

FALL OF ALBERT, MARTINPUICH AND COURCELETTE.

The battle on the whole front continued fiercely until on Wednesday evening, when according to official despatches, the enemy offensive slackened. The lull was very breif, for according to the cable received at midnight, Field-Marshal Haig says in a message dated Mar. 28. "There was severe fighting last evening and night astride the Somme."

British counterattacks have begun to be delivered, but neither the French nor the British have used the reserves as the enemy has done. Besides the battle on both banks of the Somme, a severe attack is developing East of Arras.

A Bolshevik report says that the Germons have been ousted from Odessa, Kherson, and Nicolaieff.

BATTLE OF THE SOMME.

ENEMY ASSAULTS HEAVILY BEATEN OFF

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 28.
Recd. 4 p.m., Mar. 28.

In last night's communiqué Field-Marshal Haig said:—The battle was renewed this morning northward and southward of the Somme. There has been intense fighting during the day from southward of Rosieres to northward of Ablainzeville.

Last night's unsuccessful attempt to drive in our line southward of the Somme was followed this morning by a series of heavy attacks in the neighbourhood of Rosieres and northward. All of the enemy's assaults at Rosieres were heavily beaten off. Our line was maintained farther north in an earlier part of the day in spite of great pressure by large forces. Fresh attacks, developing later, bent back our line for a short distance. The latest reports show that the counter-attacks completely restored the situation.

FIGHTING ROUND ALBERT.

Fierce fighting resulted from a number of determined attacks between the Somme and the Ancre and northward and southward of Albert. The enemy forced the way into a part of our position southward of Albert, but we counter-attacked and regained it.

We completely repulsed a further heavy German attack at this point in the afternoon and drove back repeated attempts of the Germans to debouch westwards from Albert, inflicting very heavy casualties. The enemy attacked in the afternoon in great strength at Bucquoy and Ablainzeville and gained a footing in the latter.

At all other points he was beaten off with great loss. Our troops again fought magnificently and threw back the enemy with heavy losses all along the front in spite of the most determined attacks and superiority of numbers.

Heavy fighting continues on the whole battle front.

BRITISH SHELLING ENEMY IN MEAULTE VALLEY.

DETERMINED THRUST TOWARDS AVELUYWOOD BEATEN BACK.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
LONDON, Mar. 27.
Recd. 12-30 p.m., Mar. 28.

Reuter's correspondent at the British Headquarters wiring to-day says slowly the zone of open warfare continues to enlarge as we fall back fighting before the enormous weight of numbers. We are now unquestionably witnessing the enemy's main report and he is a long way behind his time table.

Other concentrations which were ready to extend elsewhere success which he counted upon the Cambrai battle have been denuded to furnish the fresh reserves for the present effort, so whatever the enemy may do later, it is scarcely conceivable that he can attack elsewhere until this colossal battle is decided. Having failed to break through the Germans are now tied down to pushing against our line which they will certainly continue to do with the full strength of their masses but this forces them to throw in their reserves more rapidly than was intended in order to force a decision. The enemy therefore is wearing himself down and of course tiring us in the process.

SUITABILITY OF FRENCH WARFARE.

Open warfare is so eminently suited to French military ideas that there appears to be positive satisfaction that the Germans should continue to advance into the open even though by so doing they temporarily occupy more French territory. Undoubtedly there is a felling that the days of trench warfare are definitely past in this mighty struggle.

Besides heavy fighting around Albert yesterday the enemy also massed in Meaulte Valley which our artillery steadily shelled until it was too dark to see the dense human target. A determined thrurst towards Aveluy Wood was beaten back. Overhead was the constant whirr of machine-guns mingling with the loud buzz of our indefatiable aeroplanes swooping low and taking the toll of hostile formations.

Prisoners complain that rations reach the front line very inadequately and they are disappointed that the country over which they have advanced yields so little.

FORCED BACK NEAR BRAY.

FURTHER FIGHTING ROUND ALBERT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 27.
Recd. 8-30 a.m., Mar. 28.

A British afternoon communiqué says as a result of the attacks yesterday afternoon and evening astride the Somme we were forced back on both banks a short distance in the neighbourhood of Bray. We repulsed after severe fighting a heavy night attack south of the Somme. The enemy entered our positions at one point in the neighbourhood of the river but was immediately thrown back by a counter-attack. There was further local fighting northward and northeastward of Albert but the situation here is unchanged.

SUCCESSFUL BRITISH COUNTER-ATTACKS.

MORLANCOURT AND CHIPILLY RECAPTURED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 27.
Recd. 4 p.m., Mar. 28.

The Press Bureau states that our troops during the night were pressed back a short distance on both the banks of the Somme. We early this morning were holding the line approximately of Rosieres-Harbonnieres Saillylesec-Mericourt-Labbe and thence the Ancre to railway embankment southwestward of Albert. The Germans occupy Albert.

The Germans on Tuesday afternoon crossed the Ancre near Mesnil. Our counter-attacks drove them back across the river. The position is unchanged northward of this point.

BRITISH LINE ADVANCED.

We counter-attacked this morning northward of the Somme between the Angle of the Ancre and the Somme, recapturing Morlancourt and Chipilly and simultaneously advanced our line southward of the river to Proyart. A fresh Guard division was brought up and attacked in the neighbourhood of Buoquoy, but made no impression.

The enemy made a number of other heavy attacks to-day northward and southward of the Somme. The latest information is that they were heavily repulsed. The French were heavily engaged westward of Roye and have been forced to give some ground, but reinforcements are arriving.

TWO GERMAN DIVISIONS ANNIHILATED.

BEFORE FIRING A SHOT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
PARIS, Mar. 27.
Recd. 8-30 a.m., Mar. 28.

A French war correspondent states that two fresh German divisions proceeding to the front were almost totally annihilated on the 25th before they had fired a shot by machine gun fire and bombs from a hundred French aeroplanes.

BRITISH TROOPS WINNING BACK NEAR AMIENS.

ENCOURAGING CHANGE.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
LONDON, Mar. 28.
Recd. 11-25 p.m., Mar. 28.

"The Times" anticipates that equilibrium in fighting will be established in the next two days. The most encouraging change is that in the centre where the enemy is only twelve miles from Amiens, British troops yesterday were winning back and holding ground with reinforcements rapidly coming up. Messages from France are cheerful while the note of elation has vanished from enemy bulletins. Both Allied flanks are now standing fast.

ENEMY EFFORTS SLACKENING

ALLIED RESERVES TO COME IN NOW.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
PARIS, Mar. 28.
Recd. 11-15 p.m., Mar. 28.

M. Clemenceau addressing the Army Committee of the Chamber said that the military situation was crystallising. Enemy effort had slackened in the past few hours and the moment was near when the British and French reserves would come into action and the battle would assume a new aspect. There was every reason to hope that the enemy would not retain the gains he had secured at such sanguinary cost. M. Clemenceau emphasised the admirable dash of troops, the unity of the nation and the importance of reserves and material. He announced that Government proposed to embody the 1919 class in the second fortnight in April. The authors of amendments to this proposal thereafter withdrew amendments in view of the circumstances.

FIGHTING ON BOTH BANKS OF SOMME.

ATTACK DEVELOPING E. OF ARRAS,

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 28.
Recd. Midnight, Mar. 28.

This afternoon's communiqué from Field Marshal Haig says:—There was severe fighting last evening and night astride the Somme and Northwards from Albert to Poyelles. We repulsed repeated attacks along the Somme valley and in the neighbourhood of Beaumont Hamel, Puisieux and Moyenneville, capturing a number of prisoners and machine guns. Fighting continues fiercely on both banks of the Somme. Enemy heavily bombarded our defences Eastward of Arras this morning and the attack is developed in this sector.

ENEMY INFANTRY ATTACKED BY AVIATORS.

FIRES CAUSED IN MUNITION PARKS

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
PARIS, Mar. 28.
Recd. 7-40 p.m., Mar. 28.

Aviators took a remarkable part in the battle. Squadrons and groups of squadrons drove off enemy machines and attacked marching infantry, artillery, munition depots, and railways. They dropped daily fifteen tons of bombs and poured thousands of rounds of machinegun ammunition into the infantry almost brushing the ground in attacks. Fires were caused in munition parks and on an important railway. Observation ballons and numerous aeroplanes were destroyed.

GERMAN PRESS COUNTING GAINS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
AMSTERDAM, Mar. 27.
Recd. Midnight, Mar. 28.

A section of the German Press is already counting gains. The "Cologne Volkszeitung" says it is now impossible to conclude peace on terms acceptable a week ago. Enemy must be forced to grant all we need in the future especially colonies and raw materials.

On the contrary "Frankfurter Zeitung" admits that obstinate British defence is still checking real advance. It says that three German army corps, in addition to the commands of two other generals were necessary to drive the British from Bapaume

ENEMY HELD EVERYWHERE.

ATTACK BY A POWERFUL FRESH FRENCH ARMY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 27.
Recd. 8-30 a.m., Mar. 28.

A French afternoon communiqué says the enemy is everywhere held.

The French Under-Secretary for War states that the Germans are now meeting a powerful fresh French army protected by almost incredible artillery fire. Hitherto the enemy's advance has been delayed by only a few independent divisions but the formidable British reserves of manoeuvre are now arriving in the battlefield so the enemy's territorial gains can only be regarded as temporary.

ENEMY PAYING DEARLY FOR GAINS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
LAHORE, Mar. 27.

The "C. and M. Gazette's" London correspondent cables:—

A correspondent on the British front telegraphs:—We hold them. The enemy has paid dearly for reoccupation of land stripped of stores and habitations. His troops were flung into battle with two day's iron rations. They are hungry and thirsty and have reached the limit of their endurance. Fresh divisions must be thrown forward to keep up pressure.

Another correspondent referring to one sector of the battle says:—If we lost all men engaged on this part of the front our losses would not equal the enemy's casualties.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE IN RUSSIA.

TROTSKY'S PLAN FOR RED GUARDS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
PETROGRAD, Mar. 27.
Recd. 11-15 p.m., Mar. 28.

Trotzky appealing to the population to co-operate in the organisation of the Red army announces that a decree is impending enforcing universal services and calling up ex-officers as instructors. Chechen tribes under Russian officers have risen against the Soviet authorities in the Caucasus.

SITUATION LESS CRITICAL.

MILITARY APPRECIATION OF SITUATION.

"TIME ON OUR SIDE."

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 27.
Recd. 2-45 p.m., Mar. 28.

A high British military authority, in his review of the situation, emphasises that it is most harmful to suggest that information is being concealed. "We are telling people the whole truth." As regards speed with which the enemy issues news it must be remembered that the defensive cannot get news quickly owing to the removal of telephones, regimental headquarters etc., but news is given as soon as the line is re-established.

The enemy this morning made some progress south of the Somme but for the time being he is checked north of the Somme. The enemy is at present in Albert but we are holding the line of railway embankment to the western outskirts of the town. This line is becoming more difficult but the reserves, particularly French, are on the battlefield. The situation is much less critical than it has been for three days past.

HEAVY LOSSES INFLICTED BY OUR AIRMEN.

Referring to the extraordinarily successful work of airmen, the authority says we dropped twenty-two tons of bombs on the enemy at Peronne and Bapaume last night and our machines during the day where practically continuously shooting into enemy formations inflicting heavy losses and greatly delaying the attacks. Our total loss of guns is about six hundred.

The enemy's calculations of prisoners include the wounded. The enemy's claims regarding tanks is possibly correct. The cardinal fact of the whole situation is that the opposing forces are practically equal. The enemy has collected his reserves. Every day that the enemy is checked or progress is unimportant is of enormous advantage to us.

There have been two very critical moments, firstly, on Saturday, when the enemy crossed the river Tortille seriously threatening to separate the forces north and south of the Somme, but the gap was restored; secondly, on Monday when the enemy took Martinpuich and Courcelette, but the line was restored and now is everywhere continuous. The battle is far from over. I should not like to say that we shall not have another crisis, but time is on our side. The enemy is farther from his railheads and the area behind him is becoming more and more congested and there is increasing difficulty in bringing up troops. Meanwhile our reserves particularly French are nearer the battlefield.

BRITISH FRONT STANDING FIRM.

OUR AIRMEN'S GOOD WORK.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
LONDON, Mar. 27.
Recd. 4-10 p.m., Mar. 28.

Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters telegraphing this evening says:—The sixth day of the offensive finds the British front standing firm practically all along the line which is perhaps the strongest occupied since the beginning. Some points are weaker than others where the German hordes may slowly advance even compelling readjustments elsewhere, but the positions along the Ancre valley and the old Gommecourt-Hebuterne line are of natural strength. Even weaker parts of the line are held by a most orderly array of men and guns, showing no signs of enforced retirement. With a keen sense of the need of guarding against over-optimism I can state that complete and almost cheerful confidence pervades the various Headquarters and the moral of the troops remains superb.

To-day the enemy has been attacking at various points but has made no progress. The cavalry have been in action and have achieved a brilliant little success, but no details have transpired.

WORK OF OUR AIRMEN.

Airmen report that all the enemy front areas are black with troops. Although the enemy is continuing to thrust hard along practically the whole front, the tendency of the struggle is setting steadily southwards, consequently the French are bearing a growing share.

Throughout the Somme area yesterday our airmen badly mauled the enemy. Very few anti-aircraft guns have yet been moved forward while enemy airmen are so ruthlessly combed out of the skies that they are little disposed to join in the combat. Our airmen thus had unique opportunities. They circled over the packed infantry and Lewis gunners emptied drum after drum of bullets with the most deadly effect. The past week's slaughter appals imagination. One of our machine gun teams reports that after a forced retirement there were at least 400 corpses about the ground swept by their fire.

The news comes that battle is raging in the French area.

The weather has turned bleak and gray though remaining dry. Visibility is good and the ground is excellent for digging and transport.

A SPECIAL ARMY ORDER.

FIELD-MARSHAL HAIG'S INSPIRITING MESSAGE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 27.

The Press Bureau says Field-Marshal Haig issued a special order to the army on the 23rd saying:—We are again at the crisis of the war. The enemy has collected every available division aiming at the destruction of the British army. We have inflicted very heavy loss during the last two days and the French are sending troops as quickly as possible to our support. I feel that everyone in the army fully realising how much depends on the exertions and steadfastness of each one of us will do his utmost to prevent the enemy attaining his object.

ENEMY SLOWING DOWN.

WEAKENED BY HEAVY LOSSES.

FRENCH HOLD SOUTHERN APPROACHES TO NOYON.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 27.
Recd. 12 noon, Mar. 28.

A French afternoon communiqué says last evening and last night the enemy who was everywhere held was obliged, weakened by his heavy loses, to slow down his effort. The gallantry of our troops who are defending the ground foot by foot is beyond praise. We hold the line through Lechelle-St. Auria, Beauvraignes, north of Lassigny, the southern approaches to Noyon to the left bank of the Oise.

We repulsed during the night strong reconnaissances attempting to reach our positions northwest of Noyon.

FEATS BY AIR-SERVICES.

KING'S MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 27.
Recd. 12 noon, Mar. 28.

The Press Bureau states that the King has sent the following message to Field-Marshal Haig:

Express to General Salmond and all ranks of the Air Services of the Empire in France my gratification at their splendid achievements in this great battle. I am proud to be their Colonel-in-chief.

HAVOC BY BRITISH AEROPLANES.

ENEMY INFANTRY AND CAVALRY BOMBED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 28
Recd. 5-30 p.m., Mar. 28.

In a communiqué with regard to aviation Field-Marshal Haig says: Great concentrations of our aeroplanes were made to-day over threatened points. Masses of our machines bombed and machine-gunned the infantry and cavalry. Thirty tons of bombs and thousands of rounds of ammunition were fired.

We brought down twenty German machines in the air fighting and two others by anti-aircraft guns. Twelve of our are missing.

Our night flying machines continuously attacked troops at Bapaume, Cambrai and Peronne. 25,000 rounds were fired.

We dropped twenty-four tons of bombs on important centres on battle fronts and also four tons on the Valenciennes railway station, through which trrop trains were passing to the front.

SUBMARINE SINKINGS.

BRITISH SHIPPING RETURNS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 27.
Recd. 12 noon, Mar. 28.

The Admiralty states that the arrivals during the week numbered 2,471 and sailings 2,488. Sixteen steamers over and twelve under sixteen hundred tons were sunk. The former include one sunk during the week ending the 18th and the latter four small sailing ships sunk in December and January. Nineteen vessels were unsuccessfully attacked. One fishing boat was sunk.

SHIPPING LOSSES.

Week Ending.	ARRIVALS of Ships at U.K. Ports.	SAILINGS of Ships from U.K. Ports.	BRITISH VESSELS SUNK. 1,600 tons and Over.	Under 1,600 tons.	Fishing Vessels	British Vessels unsuccessfully Attacked by Submarines.
Mar. 27	2,471	2,488	16	12	1	19
Mar. 20	2,038	2 317	11	6	2	11
Mar. 13	2,046	2,062	15	3	1	8
Mar. 6	2,015	2,249	12	6	—	6
Feb. 27	2,276	2,398	14	3	7	9
Feb. 20	2,322	2,353	12	3	1	8
Feb. 13	2,401	2,274	13	6	3	11
Feb. 6	2,339	2,373	10	5	4	13
Jan. 30	2,352	2,309	9	5	1	8
Jan. 23	2,238	2,242	6	2	—	6
Jan 16	2,106	2,184	8	2	3	5
Jan. 9	2,088	2,244	18	3	4	11
Jan. 2	2,111	2,074	18	3	—	8
Dec. 26	2,311	2,460	11	3	1	12
Dec. 19	2,461	2,492	14	3	1	11
Dec. 12	2,426	2,384	14	7	4	11
Dec. 5	2,174	2,138	16	2	—	8
Nov. 28	2,0 5	2,129	14	7	1	8
Nov. 21	2,531	2,468	10	7	0	2
Nov. 14	2,125	2,307	1	5	1	8
Nov. 7	2 384	2,479	8	4	—	6
Oct. 31	2,283	2,321	14	4	—	1
Oct. 24	2,444	2 690	17	8	0	7
Oct. 17	2,124	2,091	12	6	1	5
Oct 10	2,519	2,832	14	2	3	5
Oct. 3	2,680	2,712	11	2	0	16
Sept. 26	2 798	2,89	13	2	2	10
Sept. 19	2,695	2,787	8	11	1	6
Sept. 12	2,744	2,86	12	15	4	12
Sept. 5	2,384	2,482	20	3	0	9
Aug. 29	2,828	2,680	18	5	0	6
Aug. 22	2,838	2,761	15	3	2	12
Aug. 15	2,776	2,66	14	2	3	13
Aug. 8	2,673	2,79	21	2	0	13
Aug 1	2,747	2,776	18	3	0	9
July 25	2,801	2,791	21	3	3	13
July 18	2,428	2,820	14	4	3	12
July 11	2,805	2,79	14	3	3	17
July 4	2,745	2,84	15	5	11	16
June 24	2,478	2,923	21	7	0	23
June 17	2,937	2,93	27	5	6	21
June 10	2,747	2,22	22	10	3	23
June 3	2,603	2,642	18	3	5	17
May 27	2,719	2,768	18	11	2	17
May 20	2,664	2,759	18	9	3	9
May 13	2,569	2,655	18	6	3	19
May 6	2,374	2,490	24	22	8	9
Apl. 29	2,716	2,680	38	13	8	74
Apl. 22	2,585	2, 21	40	15	0	27
Apl. 13	2,379	2,231	19	9	12	15
Apl. 8	2,406	2,357	17	2	6	14
Apl. 1	2,281	2,396	18	13	6	17
Mar. 25	2,314	2,423	18	7	10	15
Mar. 13	2,528	2,554	16	8	21	16
Mar. 11	1,985	1,959	16	4	3	16
Mar. 4	2,528	2,477	14	9	3	12
Feb. 25	2,2 0	2,291	15	6	4	13

FURTER REVELATIONS OF LICHNOWSKY.

SECRET IDPLOMACY RECALLED.

"ANOTHER WAR SACRIFICE."

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
STOCKHOLM, Mar. 27.
Recd. Midnight Mar 28.

The "Politiken" publishes further portions of Prince Lichnowsky's memorandum. It deals principally with negotiations for an Anglo-German commercial treaty. Prince Lichnowsky remarks at the outset that the good relations he made in London had effected noticeable improvement in German relations with England. He says that Sir Edward Grey devoted himself honestly to this *rapprochement* and his intentions were especially noticeable as regards the colonial treaty and the Bagdad railway. Prince Lichnowsky says that Herr Hatzfeldt and Mr. Balfour in 1898 signed a secret agreement dividing the Portuguese colonies in Africa into economic spheres of interest between Germany and Britain, ensuring inviolability of the independence of the Portuguese kingdom and declaring their intention of supporting Portugal financially and economically. It therefore did not clash with the old Anglo-Portuguese treaty dating from the sixteenth century.

Nevertheless at the instigation of Several, the New Anglo-Portuguese treaty, the so-called "Windsor Treaty" was signed in 1899 reinforcing the old treaty. Anglo-German negotiations which were begun before Prince Lichnowsky's arrival were intended to revise and improve the treaty of 1898 and, thanks to the accomodating attitude of the British Government, Prince Lichnowsky was able to give the new treaty a form conforming to German wishes and interests.

A NEW TREATY.

Prince Lichnowsky says "Sir Edward Grey wished to show us goodwill and also in the main to further our colonial development, while Britain also wished to lead German development and power from the North Sea and Western Europe to the Atlantic and Africa. "We do not grudge Germany her colonial development" said a member of the Cabinet to me."

Prince Lichnowsky continues that the treaty was practically ready in 1913, but "new difficulties arose to prevent its being signed and only a year later, shortly before the outbreak of the war, could I receive authority to conclude the treaty. It was however never signed. Sir Edward Grey would only sign on condition that the treaty was published together with 1898 and 1899 treaties; England has no secret treaties and it was contrary to existing principles to keep the treaty secret. Sir Edward Grey could therefore conclude no treaty without publishing it but the German Foreign Office, where my successes in London created increasing distrust, stated that the publication would jeopardise German interests in the colonies where moreover, the Portuguese would give us no more concessions. The treaty which offered us exceptional advantages consequently fell through. This was another war sacrifice."

HOW LICHNOWSKY MEMORANDUM LEAKED OUT.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
LONDON, Mar. 28.
Recd. 11-25 p.m., Mar. 28.

German papers show that the leakage of the Lichnowsky memorandum was due to an officer employed in the political department of the General Staff.

HEROIC FRENCH RESISTANCE

ENEMY ATTACKS IN NOYAN REGION REPULSED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Mar. 28.
Recd. 5-30 p.m., Mar. 28.

Last night's French communiqué says: The Germans are throwing into the battle new fresh troops. Attacks were made to-day with redoubled violence. East of Montdidier our troops several times with admirable tenacity arrested the enemy onslaughts. He succeeded in making progress owing to marked numerical superiority.

Equally powerful attacks in the regions of Lassigny and Noyon were completely repulsed and broke before the heroic resistance of our regiments.

ODESSA RETAKEN.

BOLSHEVIK OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
MOSCOW, Mar. 26.
Recd. 11-15 p.m., Mar. 28.

The Bolsheviks officially state that after a sanguinary fight the loyal Soviet and Ukrainian troops assisted by naval forces have retaken Odessa.

KHERSON AND NICOLAIEFF RECAPTURED.

SOVIET TROOPS' VICTORY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
PETROGRAD, Mar. 27.
Recd. 11-15 p.m., Mar. 28.

Soviet troops have recaptured Kherson and Nicolaieff. Germans have occupied Krementchug. The Commissaries are removing the ex-Tsar and his family to the Ural region.

COTTON PROFITEERS

GOVERNMENT ACTION.

ALL CONTRACTS TO BE DISCLOSED.

The following Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary, Revenue Department, dated, Bombay Castle, 28th March, 1918, has been issued:—

In order that Government may be fully informed of the cotton situation, the Controller of Prices, under the authorization of the Governor-General-in-Council, directs, under Rule 11A of the Defence of India (Consolidation) Rules, that all merchants, shippers, mill-owners, brokers, commission houses, muccadums, and other persons doing business in cotton in the City of Bombay shall furnish to the Controller of Prices, Secretariat, Bombay, a statement in the form hereto attached of all open contracts for evey description of cotton bought or sold for delivery on the 25th of April next, and all future months, which are standing in their books on the evening of Saturday, 6th April, 1918. Such statements are to reach the Controller of Prices by 5 p.m., on the evening of Monday, 8th Aprli, 1918, at the latest.

2. All the prsons above mentioned doing business in cotton in the City of Bombay are further required to furnish similar information regarding transactions in cotton for future delivery entered into by them for every week ending on each Saturday evening subsequent to the 6th of April, until further notice. Such information in the prescribed form must reach the Controller of Prices at the Secretariat before 5 p.m., on the Monday following.

3. Brokers or commission agents' acting on behalf of principals must state the name of the latter.

4. All information supplied to the Controller will be regarded as strictly confidential.

5. Those concerned are warned that a contravention of this order will be punishable as a contravention of the Defence of India (Consolidation) Rules.

6. Copies of the prescribed form will be obtainable at the offices of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, the Bombay Cotton Exchange and the Millowners' Association.

FORM.

Name of party making return———

Description of cotton,———Delivery.—

Bought from:	Number of bales.	Sold to:	Number of bales.

or his constituted attorney———

Date———1918.

THE COTTON CRISIS.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PRESENT SITUATION?

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—The people not connected with the Cotton Trade, will naturally ask questions, or the general public and the Government would like to know, as to who are principally and directly responsible, for bringing about the present most serious and critical situation. Those who are even in the smallest possible way concerned with the Cotton business, even indirectly now know too well, that the so-called responsible and representative body.—The Bombay Cotton Trade Association Ltd.—which claims to have been established, with the benevolent object of protecting the general interests of the trade is at the bottom of the whole mischief and could be plainly held responsible for creating the present rather serious situation.

Keeping in reserve the remarks and criticism, regarding its past doings, I confine this letter to their doings of the last few days. After the Market had been closed on the 15th instant due to the critical situation created all round, of the entire Cotton trade, all trading in futures—particularly in that of Broach Good—was suspended and at the request of the Cotton Brokers Association, a general meeting of the whole trade, was held, at the rooms of the Cotton Trade Association, on the 20th instant. The Meeting in question was presided over by Mr. T. D. Moore, the Chairman of the Cotton Trade Association, and besides the representatives of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, the Cotton Exchange, the Millowners Association, the Marwadi Chamber of Commerce the Cotton Merchants and Muccadums Association and the Japanese Shippers Association, there was a very large and representative assemblage of almost all the merchants and dealers, directly and indirectly connected with the Cotton trade in general. In this meeting, of the general trade, represented by all the possible interests, it was practically unanimously resolved, that the maximum price of Broach Good should be fixed. After an hour the Meeting of the Directors of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association was held to consider the resolution of the general meeting of the trade and they by a small majority discarded the general desire of the entire trade as conveyed in the general meeting, and resolved not to fix any maximum price of Broach Good, or to take any decisive step to check the wild speculation. Five Directors—four Indian gentlemen and one other, Mr. Ainsworth of Gill and Co., voted in favour of a maximum price being fixed. Out of eight voting against, two are the heads of two prominent Japanese firms, one of a Swiss firm and another is understood to be a naturalized subject are also a exporter voted against. Mr. Bush, of the Bombay Company, who are also large exporters, voted against, Messrs. C. N. Wadia and Sakalatwalla, who represent prominent Mill interests, and are reported to be bulling Cotton from the very commencement voted. As regards Mr. Chrystal his attitude and behavious as the principal Champion of the bull operators, is too well-known.

From the above analysis it will be clearly seen that all the Directors, who voted against and who do not wish to have the maximum price fixed, are directly interested parties, inasmuch as they have bought for themselves or for their clients, hundreds of thousands of Cotton bales, and hence it is quite natural that they would first care for their own interests, and then giving attention to any other matter, connected with the Trade. Thus, the deep and sincere desire of the entire trade, that with a view to save the trade from total ruination, a maximum price should be fixed was nullified by a group of a few interested parties. The fundamental question is whether the attitude of these Directors is in any way justifiable or legal. Article No. 97 of the Memorandum of the Association of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association Ltd. reads as follows:—

> "Any question, which shall arise at any Meeting of the Directors shall be decided by a majority of votes, and in case of an equality of votes, the Chairman thereat shall, except when such Meeting has to deal with any arbitration to appeal have a casting vote in addition to his own vote as a Director. No Director shall vote upon any question in which he is personally interested, nor be competent to be present at any Board Meeting relating to a subject in which he is personally interested. Every Meeting of the Board relating to any arbitration or award shall be attended by at least three Directors and every decision of the Board at any such Meeting shall be signed by at least three members of the Board and countersigned by the Secretary; and there shall, out of the moneys payable to the Company upon any award, be divided equally amongst the Directors who actually sign such award the sum of Rupees thirty."

From the above article, it will be seen, that directors, who are personally interested, directly or indirectly cannot vote, on matters affecting their interests. The proceedings and past actions of the Cotton Trade Association have been nothing less than scandalous. But this time some of the Directors, have crossed and gone beyond the line of decency inasmuch as it is now reported, that the Directors have called a Meeting of the shareholders to eliminate, such of the wordings from the above article, as disqualifying the Directors to vote on matters, in which they are interested.

The Directors have issued, the following notice to the shareholders on the subject:—

> "That Article 97 be and is hereby amended by inserting after the words 'personally interested' in the sixth line thereof the following words namely
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> provided that nothing herein contained shall disqualify or prevent any Director from attending and voting at any Board or Committee Meeting in relation to any matter affecting the general interest of the

Should the Resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution to a second Extraordinary General-Meeting of the Company which will be subsequently convened.

It will be quite plain from the above extracts, as to what the Directors are driving at, and what is their main object, in getting these most vital and important alterations and changes made.

As it is useless to say more on this subject, let us examine as to what the Directors of the Association have been doing since the 20th inst. to attain their objects.

Mr. Moore the Chairman of the Board of Directors, after the one-sided decision arrived at by the Meeting of the Board on the 20th due purely to the fact, of there being a large majority of Directors on the Board being interested, in not fixing maximum prices, found himself in a very invidious position, inasmuch as, he has always been anxious to be fair and open minded, and so far as possible to bring about a reasonably fair settlement of the difficult problem. In his capacity as the Chairman of the Board, he called an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Board of the Directors, on the following day i.e., 22nd, and the Cotton Brokers' Association also resolved to send their five representatives to attend the Meeting. This Meeting was duly held, and as reported in your issue of the 23rd, the following resolution was passed:—

"That a Meeting be called for Monday 25th instant at 12 noon at the Office in the Fort consisting of the five members each of the following bodies, viz.:—

The Bombay Cotton Trade Association Ltd.
The Bombay Cotton Exchange.
The Bombay Cotton Brokers' Association.
The Bombay Millowners' Association.
The Japanese Cotton Shippers' Association.
The Bombay Muccadums' Association.
Marwari Chamber of Commerce.

for the purpose of formulating a concrete proposal which should then be put before a general meeting of the whole trade and, if generally approved, the Controller of Prices should be requested if necessary to confirm the decision arrived at. In the meanwhile the market and all rooms should be closed from 2 p.m. to-day for both ready and forward transactions and a circular issued to the Members of all Associations requesting them to enter into no business and informing them that any contract entered into will not be recognised by the various Associations. The due date of 25th March contract should be postponed until a settlement is arrived at. The Controller of Prices to be invited to attend the Meeting of the representatives of the various Associations on Monday next.

It was further resolved that copies of the above resolutions be forwarded at once to all Associations interested and to the Controller of Prices."

According to the terms of this resolution a Meeting of all the representatives of the above-mentioned bodies was held on the 25th instant, and after some discussion, according to the report published in your issue of the 26th inst., a resolution was passed to the effect, "that Government be requested to fix the rates for Broach Good April, in view of the critical situation of the Market."

It seems that after this Meeting was over some of the interested people on the Board of Directors, set to work to nullify the effect of this resolution and instead of submitting, it immediately to the Government they are trying to nullify the effect of the same, and to counteract the intentions embodied in the resolution; with the result that the Association has addressed the following communication to the different bodies concerned:—

VERY URGENT.

"In continuation of my letter No. 267/5/4 dated the 25th inst. I am instructed to inform you that on reconsideration of the matter my Directors have decided that in accordance with the Resolutions passed on the 22nd inst. on the occasion of the Meeting with the representatives of the Cotton Brokers' Association the general consensus of opinion of the whole trade should be taken before Government is approached to give effect to the second resolution passed on the 25th inst. I am therefore to request that you will take steps to obtain the view of the general body of Members of your Association with regard to the said Association and inform the undersigned at the earliest possible date whether they are in favour of the resolution passed and of Government being asked to take action in accordance with the second resolution."

The above communication speaks for itself. Some of the bodies concerned have strongly replied to the said communication and they have asked the Association to call a general meeting of the whole trade for the purpose of deciding the question. It is quite plain for all this that the object is to get as much time as possible and in the meantime move the prices up. Where was the necessity for all these proceedings and waste of time after what had taken place in the General Meeting of the whole trade on the 20th inst. During all this time instead of checking the speculation and keeping the Market within reasonable bounds the Directors have in every possible way encouraged the bull campaign. Some of the broker Directors in spite of the future market being closed, according to the resolution passed at the meeting of the 20th and 22nd inst. have been buying all other grades of cotton at much higher prices and increasing the rates every day to bring about as high a level of rates as possible. This will be clear from the following figures giving prices of only three grades of cotton taken from the printed reports of the prominent firm of English Brokers:—

Date.	Bengal Fine. Rs.	Broach Fine M.G. Rs.	Compta M.G Rs.
15-3-18	624	700	700
18-3-18	636	795	720
26-3-18	680	780	780
27-3-18	685	795	790

During all this time, there has been no material change in New York Market, but on the contrary prices in America have declined to some extent. It is an open fact, known in the Market, that particular bull operators have been trying by all means in their power to enhance the prices and these speculators are openly encouraged and supported by particular persons doing Commission Brokerage business. The idea has been that, even if the worst comes to the worst, and, if, under any circumstances, maximum prices are fixed the Bulls will secure such maximum prices being fixed on the basis of those prevailing on the day. This has been the game played by the Bulls not recently but since the second week of February last, when the question of control was first head of. The prices at that time of Broach Good was about Rs. 630, and it was systematically raised to Rs. 700 on the 15th of this month, when the crisis came and trading in this direction had to be suspended. From the facts disclosed above it could be well-established that the rise of nearly Rs. principally and clearly due to the operations of the bulls to get as high a level as possible to defeat the object of the general desire of the trade, as well as of the Government to fix maximum prices.

To give the latest example of the high-handed policy of the Directors, I may mention that as usual, the Directors fixed on the 25th inst., certain prices, for all grades of Cotton, for settlement purposes for all Contracts, falling due on the 25th March. The next day i.e., the 26th inst. the Directors again met, and, one does not know for what reasons, they revised and altered the rates, and put up prices all round by Rs. 30 to Rs. 50. Such an incident has never happened, so far as is known, in the history of the Cotton Trade Association which came into existence in 1892. Will any of the Directors, come forward and explain to the public as to under what circumstances the Board was obliged to increase prices by Rs. 30 to 50 after having once fixed the same as usual for settlement purposes.—Yours, etc.

A COTTON MERCHANT

RAJPUTANA SOCIAL SERVICE CONFERENCE.

(From a correspondent.)

AJMER, Mar. 28.

The Hon. Mr. Sriniwas Sastri, president-elect of the Rajputana Social Service Conference, with Messrs. Hidayanath Kunzru and Ambekar arrived this morning They were most enthusiastically received and profusely garlanded amidst loud cheers by Ajmer gentry and citizens. Volunteers of the Sewa Samiti presented a guard of honour at the station and a large procession was formed, which marched through the principal streets amidst loud cheers and shouts of "Bharatmata ki Jai." Flowers were showered on Mr. Shastri throughout the route.

The Conference will open in the Trevor Town Hall on the 30th March, when the president will deliver his speech. Messrs. Sastri and Kunzru will also deliver lectures on 29th March evening at the Arya Samaj Hall. Delegates are coming in large number and much enthusiasm prevails in the city.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER OF SURAT.

DISCONTINUANCE OF APPOINTMENT DEMANDED.

(From our special Correspondent.)

SURAT, Mar. 25.

The unflinching attitude of the elected councillors of the Surat Municipality in regard to the appointment of the Municipal Commissioner could not have been made more obvious than on the occasion of the Special General Meeting of the Municipality held on Saturday for the purpose of demanding the discontinuance of the appointment as well as the deducting of Chapter 13(A) of the Bombay District Municipal Act 1901. The debate which lasted for about three hours was unusually interesting. The apologetic tone of the Municipal Commissioner and the nominated councillors, who attempted to forsat out plausible argument in favour of the appointment was not a little amusing. The Municipal Commissioner showed that he had no idea of the principles of representative government.

"The will of the Locality."

Naturally, he failed to grasp the meaning of "the will of the locality." Dr. Scott can have no reason to remove the Municipal Commissioner, even though he admitted that the former was "Certainly endowed with some autocratic powers." He became almost lyrical in his description of the qualifications of the I. C. S. But it was reserved for Rao Bahadur Thakorram Kapilram to enunciate some novel principles of Government. He said, for instance, that the general body of the Municipality was an autocracy, that autocracy would be, "here, there and anywhere", and that he would rather prefer the autocracy of an individual like the Municipal Commissioner to that of a corporate body like the Municipality. It must be admitted however that the appeals for the "posterity" the loud oratorical flights and the theatrical gestures of the Rao Bahadur did much to enliven the debate.

Mr. Dayabhai K. Desai moved:—

"That this Corporation, while re-affirming their Resolution No. 1 passed at their Special General Meeting held on 21st November 1916, most respectfully request the Government of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay in Council, that they would be graciously pleased to discontinue the appointment of the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Surat under Clause (5) of section 186 (A) of the Bombay District Municipal Act 1901, and further to be graciously pleased to delete Chapter 13 (A), from the aforesaid Municipal Act, on the following among other grounds:—

(1) That the appointment of the Municipal Commissioner, involving, as it does, important constitutional changes, has tended to destroy the zeal of the Councillors in Municipal affairs, by reducing them to a mere debating body, and dealing thus a death-blow to the object of giving political education to the citizens, for which Municipal Local Bodies have been brought into existence in India.

(2) That the appointment of the Municipal Commissioner and the introduction of Chapter 13 (A) in the existing Municipal Act have further Prussianised the system of Local Self-Government which is quite antagonistic and repulsive to the principles of Local Self-Government as practised in England.

(3) That the aforesaid system establishes an autocracy repugnant to the British spirit of justice and liberty.

(4) That the experience of this Municipality for the last nearly three years (i.e. since the appointment of the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Surat made on 1st June 1915) has conclusively established that the said new system, has absolutely failed to prove better than the old system of management of Municipal affairs by committees, and has created dissatisfaction and want of zealous interest in Municipal affairs among the Councillors of the Municipality.

(5) That the aforesaid new system of Municipal Management can never reflect the "will of the locality" and hence can never be really successful.

(6) That the Chief Officer, was, as much, a paid, full time, executive head as the Municipal Commissioner with this difference, that where as the Chief Officer was not invested with wide autocratic powers, the Municipal

(7) That, being British subjects, and having received English Education under British system, we have imbibed the spirit and the principles of free British Institutions and we claim, as British subjects, the British spirit of freedom in our Self Governing Bodies.

(8) That even if it were assumed that the aforesaid bureaucratic Prussian system of management of Municipal affairs has succeeded in the City of Bombay and elsewhere, it is not yet suggested that the system of management, of Municipal affairs by committees has failed either here or in England where it is in continuance even upto the present moment, even though the Prussian fetish of efficiency is only too well-known there.

(9) That in view of the assurance conveyed by the following words of the Hon. Sir Prabhashanker D. Pattani, the Official Member in charge of the Municipal Act Amendment Bill of 1914, published at page 955 of Part VII of the Bombay Government Gazette, dated the 1st October 1914 "That if on inquiry it is found that a particular Municipality does require a Municipal Commissioner then only will Government appoint a Municipal Commissioner, so that Mr. Godbole need not be afraid of any arbitrariness in the matter. Where a case is not made out, there the Municipal Commissioner will not be appointed." As well as in view of the following complimentary words in regard to this very Municipality occurring in the Government Resolution reviewing the Reports of the various Municipalities, on Municipal Taxation and Expenditure, in the Bombay presidency including Sind, for the year 1914-15:—"The Commissioner agrees with the Collector that this Municipality is decidedly more business-like and less hampered by personal intrigues than many others." As well as in view of the fact that a case for the appointment of a Municipal Commissioner for the City of Surat has never been made out, and that no demand has ever been made by this Municipality for such appointment, this Municipality believe that the action of His Excellency the Governor in Council in making the appointment of a Municipal Commissioner for the City of Surat from the 1st June 1915, as well as in continuing the said appointment in spite of the request made by this Municipality for the discontinuance of the said appointment, amounts to a great injustice to this Municipality; and that the Precident be requested to forward a copy of this Resolution to His Excellency the Governor of Bombay in Council through proper channel.

Mr. Dayabhai said that they disapproved of the appointment not on any personal grounds but as a matter of principle. It was necessary, he said, to express their opinion in view of the fact that the term of the Commissioner had nearly expired and that Government should be informed of their determined opinion before they appoint a new Commissioner for the City. He described briefly the history of Municipal Government in Surat and pointed out that they must do away with the appointments of the Municipal Commissioner if they wanted their institutions to be progressive. The appointment had taken away the initiative from the hands of the representatives of the people, and these was no scope left for civic education. They could not afford to neglect the training in Local Self-Government merely for the sake of securing a comparatively more capable official. Mr. Prasanhadan M. Desai seconded the proposition.

Commissioner's Apologia.

The Municipal Commissioner said that he believed the strongest points that was urged in favour of the proposition was that the appointment of the Commissioner Militated against the principle of Local Self-Government. He said that during the last three years the Municipality had done as much good and solid work as could be done and that these was an improvement in the attendance at the meetings of the Municipality. He saw no reason to be afraid of the word "Prussian." He quote Proffessor Pollock and Moore to show that City management was a profession. The Germans were the first to introduce the principle. As regards para 4 of the proposition he said that it was "a matter of opinion." He failed to understand the meaning of "the will of the locality" referred to in para 5. He believed that the people had the initiative. With reference to paragraph 9 of the proposition he said that there was no breach of faith. Government must have considered that the case was made out.

Dr. Scott said that certain Statements of the proposition deserved serious consideration. He admitted that the Commissioner was "Certainly endowed with some autocratic powers" but, that was no reason for his removal. He described at some length his qualification of the I. C. S., and added that Surat's importance required the Service of the I. C. S. He moved an ammendment for the appointment of a committee to consider the question of the powers of the Municipal Commissioner.

Mr. Maskati seconded the ammendment.

R. B. Thakorram's Championship of "the service."

Rao Bahadur Thakorram said he was "impelled to throw" himself "into the vortex of controversy" but, he, said, he might be considered lukewarm. There was need for an educative campaign. "The Corporation," he added, "ought to be educated." He was not, he remarked "a student of books." His views were formed from "Scrappy information." The matter required examination. What would be their position, he asked, if "Government opened up their broadsides?" He said that autocracy was "here, there and anywhere." He was of opinion that the general body of the Municipality was autocratic and that he would prefer the autocracy of an individual like the Municipal Commissioner to that of a corporate body like the municipality.

Mr. Dayabhai asked whether it was serious argument to say that a committee was required to examine the matter because Rao Bahadur Thakorram had not the leisure to do so. That was not the first time, he said, that the matter was brought up for their consideration.

Mr. N. Choksi said that the law which would place the Commissioner in a position to set aside the decision of the Corporation was not one which was calculated to ensure the efficiency of the management of public affairs.

Mr. Chhanmukhram believed that there was no need for a committee or for a Corporation if, as the Rao Bahadur said, the autocrat in the person of the Municipal Commissioner was alright and if Chapter 13(A) was considered vital and proper.

The ammendment being put to vote was lost, nine voting in favour and sixteen against the ammendment.

Rao Bahadur Thakorram then got up to "tackle the position from the root basis." He said that executive function ought to or to act as menials. He said that the latter performed executive functions and they had not secured greater powers of Local Self-Government. He remarked that the previous resolution of the Municipality on the subject strongly insisted on the financial aspect.

Mr. Prasanvadan M. Desai challenged the truth of the statement.

Rao Bahadur Thakorram ended by saying that the I. C. S. was the service from which "Governors, Lieutenant-Governors and others were created" and that they "ran the Government of the Country."

Proposition Carried.

The proposition being put to vote was carried by almost an unanimous verdict of the elected councillors. Eighteen voted in favour of the proposition and twelve against it. Out of these twelves votes, except two, are the votes were given by the Government nominees.

ITALIAN SHIPPING RETURNS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 27.
Recd. 2-45 p.m., Mar. 28.

The Italian arrivals during the week numbered 443 and sailings 412. Three steamers over fifteen hundred tons were sunk also two sailing ships one over three hundred tons and one under one hundred tons. One steamer was unsuccessfully attacked.

FRENCH SHIPPING RETURNS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 28.
Recd. 7-40 p.m., Mar. 28.

French arrivals during the week numbered 925 and sailings 961. One steamer over sixteen hundred tons and five under were sunk. Two were unsuccessfully attacked.

LATE CLAUDE DEBUSSY.

LONDON, Mar. 28.
Recd. 5-30 p.m., Mar. 28.

The death is announced of the composer Claude Debussy.

BLACK SEA FLEET BOMBARDING SUKHUMKALE.

SIGN OF NEWSPIRIT TOWARDS CENTRAL POWERS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PETROGRAD, Mar. 27.
Recd. 7-40 p.m., Mar. 28.

Simultaneously with the news of the triumph of the Bolshevik forces at Odessa over the Ukrainian Government which concluded a separatist treaty with the Central Powers comes the information that the Russian Black Sea fleet has been bombarding Sukhumkale, a port in Caucasia which has been adopting a separatist regime. The news appears to imply a revival of the military spirit against both the Central Powers and the separatists.

RUSSIA'S REPUDIATION OF DEBTS.

IMPOSSIBLE TO IGNORE INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 28.
Recd. 4 p.m., Mar. 28.

The Press Bureau announces that Britain, although under no obligation, provided interest on the Russian State Debt until the 31st March and will now discontinue it. Britain and France announce that the former Russian Government's obligations cannot be repudiated by the authorities now in power without shaking the foundations of international law and the obligations continue binding on Russia.

MORE MEN FOR THE ARMY.

PRESS SUGGESTIONS.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Mar. 27.
Recd. 11-25 p.m., Mar. 28.

Papers are discussing measures to meet the emergency. The "Daily Telegraph" joins the supporters of conscription in Ireland. The "Daily Chronicle" urges the raising of the age limit to forty-five. "The Times" says Government must immediately embody in a single comprehensive Bill various proposals for mobilising the last available man. There is a consensus of opinion that the effect of the news from France will be the complete cessation of labour troubles. This was verified at Leeds yesterday. A strike of engineers had thrown idle a thousand workers in three shell factories there and a meeting of wounded soldiers to protest assumed formidable proportions. It sent a deputation to a meeting of the strikers; the deputation was denied admittance but it was announced later that strikers had decided to resume immediately and to work during Easter holidays.

JAPANESE SHIPPING.

U. S. NEGOTIATIONS FOR TRANSFER OF 150,000 TONS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28.
Recd. 5-30 p.m., Mar. 28.

Negotiations for the transfer of 150,000 tons of Japanese shipping have been completed on the basis of two tons of steel plates for a ton of deadweight ship capacity.

PROGRESS EAST OF JORDAN

HEAVY THUNDER STORMS

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Mar. 26.
Recd. 11-15 p.m., Mar. 28.

An official communiqué from Palestine says: We made further progress eastward of the Jordan on Monday approaching Essailt. Enemy is offering little resistance but the advance is difficult owing to heavy thunderstorms.

JERSEY EXPLOSION.

INCENDIARY ARRESTED.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

NEW YORK, Mar. 28.
Recd. 11-25 p.m., Mar. 28.

Jacob Altman who admitted that his father was a German, has been arrested on a charge of arson. He confessed that he started the fire which caused the explosion in Jersey City but claimed that it was accidental. He was regularly employed in the building and dropped a cigarette.

GERMAN TROOPS DETRAINED BEHIND BELGIUM FRONTIER.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 27.
Recd. 11-15 p.m., Mar. 28.

The "Rheinische Westfaelische Zeitung" dated 26th, states that troops for the offensive detrained considerably behind the Belgian frontier, marching to the battle line during the night so that no columns showed on the roads during daylight.

TURKISH OUTRAGES IN TREBIZOND

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

ATHENS, Mar. 27.
Recd. 5-30 p.m., Mar. 28.

It is reported that the Armenians and half a million Greeks at Trebizond have been most attrociously treated by the Turks, who pillaged and destroyed wholesale on the pretext of forestalling a possible offensive by the Caucasian troops.

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MR. GANDHI AND THE AHMEDABAD STRIKE.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—Perhaps I owe an explanation to the public with regard to my recent fast. Some friends consider the action to have been silly, others cowardly and some others still worse. In my opinion I would have been untru to my Maker and to the cause I was espousing if I had acted otherwise.

When over a month ago I reached Bombay I was told that Ahmedabad millhands had threatened a strike and violence if the bonus that was given to them during the plague was withdrawn. I was asked to intervene and I consented.

Owing to the plague the men were getting as much as 70 per cent. bonus since August last. An attempt to recall that bonus had resulted in grave dissatisfaction among the labourers. When it was almost too late the millowners offered in the place of the plague bonus and for the sake of the high prices a rise of 20 per cent. The labourers were unsatisfied. The matter was referred to abitration, Mr. Chatfield, the Collector, being the Umpire. The men in some mills, however, struck work. The owners thinking that they had done so without just cause withdrew from the arbitration and declared a general lockout to be continued till the labourers were exhausted into accepting 20 per cent. increase they had offered. Messrs. Shankerlal Banker, V. J. Patel and I, the arbitrators appointed on behalf of the labourers, thought that they were to be demoralised if we did not act promptly and decisively. We therefore investigated the question of increase. We sought the millowners' assistance. They would not give it. Their one purpose was to organise themselves into a combination that could fight a similar combination of their employees. One-sided technically though our investigation was, we endeavoured to examine the millowners' side, and came to the conclusion that 35 per cent. increase was fair. Before announcing the figure to the mill-hands we informed the employers of the result of our inquiry and told them that we would correct ourselves if they could show any error. The latter would not co-operate. They sent a reply saying as much, but they pointed out in it that the rate of increase granted by the Government as also the employers in Bombay was much less than the one contemplated by us. I felt that the addendum was beside the point and at a huge meeting announced 35 per cent. for the millhands' acceptance. Be it noted that the plague bonus amounted to 70 per cent. of their wages and they had declared their intention of accepting not less than 50 per cent as high prices increase. They were now called upon to accept the mean.—(the fixing of the mean was quite an accident) between the millowners' 20 per cent and their own 50 per cent. After some grumbling the meeting accepted the 35 per cent. increase, it always being understood that they would recognise at the same time the principle of arbitration whenever the millowners did so. From that time forward, i.e., day after day thousands of people gathered together under the shade of a tree outside the city walls, people walking long distances in many cases and solemnly repeated their determination in the name of God not to accept anything less than 35 per cent. No pecuniary assistance was given them. It is easy enough to understand that many must suffer from the pangs of starvation and that they could not while they were without employment get any credit. We who were helping them, came, on the other hand to the conclusion that we would only spoil them if we collected public funds and utilised them for feeding them unless the able-bodied amongst them were ready to perform bread-labour. It was a difficult task to persuade men who had worked at machines, to shoulder baskets of sand or bricks. They came, but they did so grudgingly. The were millowners hardened their hearts. They were equally determined not to go beyond 20 per cent and they appointed emissaries to persuade the men to give in. Even during the early part of the lock-out, whilst we had declined to help those who would not work we had assured them that we would feed and clothe ourselves after feeding and clothing them. Twenty-two days had passed by. Hunger and the millowners' emissaries were producing their effect and Satan was whispering to the men that there was no such thing as God on earth who would help them and that vows were dodges resorted to by weaklings. One morning instead of an eager and enthusiastic crowd of five to ten thousand men with determination written on their faces, I met a body of about 2,000 men with despair written on their faces. We had just heard that mill-hands living in a particular chawl had declined to attend the meeting, were preparing to go to work and accept 20 per cent increase and were taunting us (I think very properly) that it was very well for us who had motors at our disposal and plenty of food, to attend their meetings and advise staunchness even unto death. What was I to do? I held the cause to be just. I believe in God as I believe that I am writing this letter. I believe in the necessity of the performance of *one's promises* at all costs. I knew that the men before us were God-fearing men, but that the long-drawn out lockout or strike was putting an undue strain upon them, I had the knowledge before me that during my extensive travels in India hundreds of people were found who as readily broke their promises as they made them. I knew, too, that the best of us have but a vague and indistinct belief in soul-force and in God. I felt that it was a sacred moment for me, my faith was on the anvil and I had no hesitation in rising and declaring to the men that a breach of their vow so solemnly taken was unendurable by me and that I would not take any food until they had the 35 per cent increase given or until they had fallen. A meeting that was up to now unlike the former meetings totally unresponsive, woke up as if by magic. Tears trickled own the cheeks of every one of them and men after men rose up saying that they would never go to the mills unless they got the increase and that they would go about the city and steel the hearts of those who had not attended the meeting. It was a privilege to witness the demonstration of the efficacy of truth and love. Everyone immediately realised that the protecting power of God was as much with us to-day as it used to be in the days of yore. I am not sorry for the vow, but with the belief that I have. I would have been unworthy of the trust undertaken by me if I had done anything less. Before I took the vow I knew that there were serious defects about it. For me to take such a vow in order to affect in any shape or form the decision of the millowners would be a cowardly injustice done to them and that I would prove myself unfit for the friendship which I had the privilege of enjoying with some of them. I knew that I ran the risk of being misunderstood. I could not prevent my fast from affecting my decision. Their knowledge moreover, put a responsibility on me which I was ill able to bear. From now I disabled myself from gaining concessions for the men which ordinarily in a struggle such as this I would be entirely justified in securing. I knew, too, that I would have to be satisfied with the minimum I could get from the millowners and with a fulfilment of the letter of the men's vow rather than its spirit, and so hath it happened. I put the defects of my vow in one scale and the merits of it in the other. There are hardly any acts of human beings which are free from all taint. Mine, I know, was exceptionally tainted. But the ignominy of having unworthily compromised by my vow the position and independence of the millowners, than that it should be said by posterity that 10,000 men had suddenly broken a vow which they had for over twenty days solemnly taken and repeated in the name of God. I am fully convinced that no body of men can make themselves into a nation or perform great tasks unless they become as true as steel and unless their promises come to be regarded by the world like the law of the Medes and Persians, inflexible and unbreakable, and whatever may be the verdict of friends, so far as I can think at present, on given occasions I should not hesitate in future to repeat the humble performance which I have taken the liberty of describing in this communication.

I cannot conclude this letter without mentioning two names of whom India has every reason to be proud. The millowners were represented by Mr. Ambalal Sarabhai who is a gentleman in every sense of the term. He is a man of great culture and equally great abilities. He adds to, these qualities a reasolute will. The mill-hands were represented by his sister Anasuyaben. She possesses a heart of gold. She is full of pity for the poor. The mill hands adore her. Her word is law with them. I have not known a struggle fraught with so little bitterness and such courtesy on either side. This happy result is principally due to the connections with it of Mr. Ambalal Sarabhai and Anasuyaben.—Yours etc.,

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Nadiad, Mar. 27.

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It would appear to be the part of wisdom for our home authorities to inquire into the practicability of the adoption of the American system of dealing with cotton seed.

A STONE AGE DISCOVERY.

An ornamental cinerary urn over 2,000 years old, containing the blackened ashes of calcined bones, has been unearthed during excavations at Barwell, Leicestershire says an English paper, together with a small flint instrument with a serrated edge used by men of the Stone Age to saw through wood and bone, for making arrow shafts and needlesee.

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TRANSACTIONS ON BOGUS CHEQUE BOOK.

At the Esplanade Police Court, Mr. Frank Oliveira, disposed of a case in which Inspector Chapman charged (1) Govind Hari, (2) Sakharam Bhikhu, and (3) Ramchandra Narayan with cheating Taibai, a Hindu woman, thereby dishonestly inducing her to deliver to them the amount of Rs. 1,237, and with aiding and abetting each other in the commission of the offence.

The case for the prosecution was that the complainant Taibai, who is an aged widow, owed some bullock carts and resided at Garupdeo. On the 16th February the third accused went to the room of Taibai and represented himself to be a "Dev Rushi." The complainant thereupon told him that she suffered from pains in the stomach and asked him if he could cure her. The third accused said he could do so and asked the complainant to accompany him to his room at Kamatipura where he would treat her. They all went to Kamatipura, where the third accused led them all into a room. He then invoked the deity by preforming some incantations. To infuse confidence in Taibai and Maruthi, her brother-in-law, one of the two men who have not been traced, pretended to fall dead and the third, accused revived him. After this, one of the absconders produced three cheques each of which he said was for Rs. 10,000 and represented that his master had to receive Rs. 30,000 from the bank. They all thereafter started for the Fort.

EXPENSES TO INCUR.

The accused then represented to Taibai that some expenses were to be incurred before they could get the money from the bank. Taibai gave them Rs. 37. They went to the bank and returning after three or four hours informed the complainant that it was too late and that the bank was closed. The complainant asked for her money, but she was put off till Monday, February 18. On Monday by similar false representations the complainant was persuaded to give to the accused Rs. 1,200, the latter promissing to pay her Rs. 300 by way of interest. The complainant took her ornaments to a Marwari shroff and raised the sum on the security of the same. She gave the money to the third accused They then left for the bank, leaving Taibai near a well on the maidan. After two hours they returned, and the man, who passed off as "kehta" brought a dealwood box. The first and the second accused then left. The third accused opened the lid of the box and showed some notes to the complainant and said that the box was full of notes. Taibai took charge of the box and gave it to Maruthi, her brother-in-law, to carry.

ACCUSED AS ASSAILANTS.

Before they could proceed with it, the third accused snatched the box away saying that before going home with the money it was necessary to go perform "poonja" by the seaside. Accordingly Taibai, Maruti, the two absconders and the third accused proceeded to the seaside with the box. They had not gone more than 300 yards from the Churchgate Station on the sea-side towards Marine Lines, when the first and the second accused, dressed in clothes different from what they had on before, came from the opposite direction. They pretended to act as policemen, assaulted the third accused and took away the box from him. Taibai interfered saying that the third accused was carrying her money. Thereupon she also was assaulted and thrown down. Subsequently the accused left with the box and Taibai and Maruthi made for their house. On their way they saw a police sepoy near the Victoria Gardens and told him what had taken place. Instead of taking or referring them to the police station the said sepoy, remarked the Magistrate, as is not unusual with many of them, asked them to find out the men. Thereupon Taibai and Maruthi went home and did nothing that night. The following morning they went to the room of the third accused at Kamatipura, but found it vacant. On February 20, the first accused turned up at the stables of Taibai. Both Taibai and Maruthi recognised him as one of those who had cheated them, had him detained, sent for the police and finally made him over to the police. The accused was placed before Inspector Chapman, who deputed a policeman to make inquiries into the matter. In consequence of a statement made by the first accused to the policeman, the second accused was arrested. His room was searched and a cheque book was found. It was a Christmas and New Year cheque book, each cheque being for "10,000 loving greetings and kind wishes" on the "Universal Bank of Friendship." This book showed that four cheques had been torn out of it.

SENTENCED.

The first and the second accused pleaded not guilty and said they knew nothing about this case. The second accused further stated that the third accused and his companions ought to be questioned about it. As the third accused was being questioned, the first accused in open Court appealed to the third accused not to implicate him. In consequence the third accused in the long statement he made to the Court referred to the absentees and refrained from implicating the first and the second accused. The third accused pleaded guilty.

The Magistrate said he saw no reason to disbelieve, the evidence. He found that the case for the prosecution was true and convicted all the three accused before the Court on the charges framed against them. The first accused admitted five, the second accused admitted two and the third accused admitted three previous convictions for similar offences. The Magistrate thought this was a dangerous gang and the ignorant must be protected from men of this class. The accused were sentenced each to two years' rigorous imprisonment with two months' solitary confinement.

A PROSECUTION THAT FAILED.

CASE MISHANDLED BY EXCISE.

At the Esplanade Police Court, Bombay, Mr. Frank Oliveira, Third Presidency Magistrate, disposed of the case in which Excise Inspector Kothavala charged Nazir Ahmed and three others with possessing ten pounds and nine tolas of "charas" on board the s.s.——on the 16th February without a license. Excise Inspector Hudson appeared for the prosecution while Mr. B. J. Dhondy, pleader with Mr. Daruvala, defended all the accused. The accused pleaded not guilty.

In delivering judgment, the Magistrate said:—That was a prosecution instituted against the four accused who are 'sukanis' on a ship, by the Excise Department on the charge of being in illegal possession of ten pounds and nine tolas of 'charas.' The case for the prosecution is that on the 16th February last, in consequence of certain information received Mr. Kothavala accompanied by other officers of the Excise and Preventive Services boarded the steamer lying in the docks and searched the ship. Among other cabins, the one occupied by the accused was also searched. Though this cabin was occupied by the four accused, other persons could have access to it, as the door did not remain under lock and key. In this cabin there were four bunks. It is alleged that under the lower bunk was found a large bag. In this bag there was a smaller bag which contained nine pounds and twenty-three tolas of 'charas.' Another packet of 'charas' weighing twenty-six tolas was found at the back of a bunk. There is some confusion in the case for prosecution, as to which of the two of the accused were present in the cabin when the excisable articles were discovered. From the evidence he believed that those were the first and the third accused as the second and the fourth accused were on the watch at the time. There was nothing in the evidence to show to whom the big bag belonged, or who had the handling of it.

GRAVE DEFECT IN PROCEDURE.

It is admitted for the prosecution that no "panch" was called to witness the search, and no "panchnamah" was drawn up. The Excise officers in charge of that case seemed to have been under the impression that no "panch" was necessary when a ship was searched, but they ought to have known better and that case ought to disillusion them. A "vessel" denoted anything made for the conveyance by water of human beings or of property (section 48 Indian Penal Code). Theft in a vessel was punishable under section 380 I.P.C. just as theft in a building. Further section 38 of the Abkari Act distinctly laid down that all searches under sections 36 and 37 of the said Act shall be made in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, and sections 36 (b) expressly referred to "any building, vessel or enclosed space." Section 103 of the Criminal Procedure Code provided for the method in which searches were to be conducted. It was imperative under that section, that the search be made in the presence of at least two respectable and independent witnesses, and a list of all things seized in the course of such search and of the places where they were found be prepared by the officer or other person and signed by such witnesses. It was therefore obligatory on the Excise officers in this case to have had a "panch" at the time of the search and to have drawn up a "panchnamah." When these safeguards which were introduced by the legislature for the protection of accused persons were disregarded by the prosecution officers it became incumbent on the Court to scrutinize the other evidence in the case with more than usual care.

Continuing the Magistrate said:—That he had carefully considered the evidence led for the prosecution and he must say that it was not very satisfactory. Assuming the same to be true, there was nothing to connect accused Nos. 1, 3, and 4 with the first or the second lot of 'charas.' The fact that they along with accused No. 2 had been given the use of that cabin particular cabin did not by itself prove that everything found therein belonged to them generally or to any one of them. It was admitted that the cabin was accessible to other persons. The only thing that seemed to connect the first lot of 'charas' with accused No. 2 was the alleged fact that some letters addressed to accused No. 2 were found in a biscuit box which was in the same big bag in which the 'charas' was found. Accused No. 2 was not present when the 'charas' was discovered. He stated his letters were left under his pillow on the bunk and he had nothing to do with the bag. Beyond these letters there was not a tittle of evidence to connect accused No. 2 with the big bag or the 'charas.' The bag could be opened or closed by any one and its condition did not preclude the possibility of some person other than accused No. 2 having the handling of it. Having regard to that and the fact that there was no 'panchnamah' to show where exactly the letters were found, the Magistrate said he must give the accused No. 2 the benefit of the doubt in his mind and order him to be acquitted. Accused No. 1, 3, and 4 were ordered to be acquitted as there was no evidence to connect them or any of them with the 'charas' found in the cabin.

RASH AND FATAL DRIVING,

THREE MONTHS FOR NEW OFFENDER.

At the Police Court, Mr. Oliveira delivered his decision in the case in which Deputy Inspector Dyer charged Shanker Balwant, a motor-cleaner with causing the death of Munibai, a Hindu woman, by driving his master's motor car in a rash and negligent manner on the 24th instant. It was alleged that the accused had no license to drive, and when he took charge of the car he drove it at an extremely high speed from Bhandari Street into Carpenter Street. He gave no warning of his approach. He knocked the woman Munibai against a low wall and jammed her. Thereafter he ran into a hand-cart and going further stopped at a distance of about thirty yards. The accused pleaded guilty. On the evidence and his own plea of guilty the Magistrate convicted the accused, but having regard to the fact that the accused was quite a young man the Magistrate sentenced him to three months' rigorous imprisonment.

CAUSE LIST.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY IN INSOLVENCY.

BOARD FOR TUESDAY, THE 2ND APRIL, 1918.

Not before 1 p.m.

BEFORE MR. JUSTICE MARTEN.

For Argument of Rule Nisi, dated 29th March, 19th 1918.

585 and 637 of 1913, Edg G W and Co, Sobhachand Naginchand, Naginchand Javerchand, Mahomed Haji Esak Elias, Cr. No. 3, Little and Co.: Savaichand Surchand and Fakirchand Ghelabhai, Messrs Gordhandas Khatao Crs. No. 1C and The Official Assignee, Payne and Co.

BEFORE MR. JUSTICE KAJIJI.

In the Division Court No. 43.

AFTER THE INSOLVENCY COURT WORK IS OVER.

SUITS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL

SHORT CAUSES.

1398-16 Motichand and D, Hansraj Kissonlal a firm v Choturam Radhakisson and ans. Crawford B and Co.

501-17 Pandia and Co, Ramchandra Madhavram Bhat v The Universal Works Ltd & Co and anr.

1357-17—Kanga and S, Gustadji Sorabji Commisariatwalla and anr v Dr. Hugh Alexander Payntiz, Mirza M and M.

1405-17—Mulji and Tha, Fazulbhai Peermahomed v Fatmabai widow and ors.

1433-17—Chitnis M and K, Rattansey Dossa v Manchersha Jehangir, Edg G W and Co.

57-18—Malvi M R and Co, Bharmal Shripal a firm v Purshotam Mulchand and anr.

178-18—Mans H M and Co, Chhabildas Lakhmichand and anr v Ebrahimkhan Valad Karimkhan.

215-18—Pandia and Co, Messrs Keshavlal Bros and Co a firm v The Bergal Industrial Co a firm.

226-18—Jam R and D, Nemtoolabai widow v Nemtoolabai widow and ors, Jam R and Dik D and P.

287-18—Daph F and D, Ratanlal Moolchand v Devchand Ghellaji a firm.

342-18—Ard H D and Co, Dharamsey Meghji v Dadabhoy Hormusji Pochaji.

357-18—Jehangir and S, Rustomji Ardesir and Co a firm v Messrs Sir Adamji Peerbhoy and Sons a firm.

363-18—Ard H D and Co, The Swadeshi Mills Co Ltd v Messrs Mulraj and Co a firm, Motichand and D.

1453-17—Ard H D and Co, Raichand Ghellabhai v Bai Poorbai widow and anr, Captain and V, Malvi M R and Co.

FOR FURTHER DIRECTIONS.

149-02—Madhowji K & C, Bai Harakh & anr v. Tribhowandas Pragji & anr, Madh K & C, Amin & D.

SUITSFOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSALS

LONG CAUSES.

811-17—Dastur and Co., Ahmedbhoy Abdinbhoy Peerbhoy v. Ismailbhoy Pirbhoy Damji, Little & Co., Part Heard, 12-3-18.

S C 1391-17—Malvi M R and Co. Bai Sundrabai widow v Pitamber Ladha and anr, Pandia and Co.

FOR HEARING ON EXCEPTION TO COMISSIONER'S REPORT.

327-04—Jehangir G & B, Hassanalli Mahomedally & ors v. Lukhmanji Esmailji & ors, Payne & Co., Jeh G & B.

1204-13—D J Mantri, Bai Kamla Kom Ganpat v Bapurao Daulatrao Salunke and ors, Shamrao M and H.

SHORT CAUSES.

88-18—Shroff & D, Hormusji Burjorji Baria & anr v. Sorabji Sheriar Irani & anr, Pandia and Co.

COMMERCIAL CAUSES.

976-16—Patell and Ez., Kavarlal Doongaji v. Panalal Ganeshdas a firm, Tyabji D and Co.

996-15—Patell and Ez, Ratanlal Manalal & anr v. Panalal Ganeshdas a firm, Tyabji D and Co.

LONG CAUSES.

223-18—Nanu H & Co., Anantrao R V Ranjit v. L D Kochhar, Kharas & Co.

740-17—Tyabjee D and Co., Bai Mani widow v. Tribhowandas Mangaldas Nathoobhai and ors, Ardeshir H D & Co., Mulla and M.

1220-16—Bhaishanker K & G, Lalchand Jasoodanandan & Co, a firm v. Purshotam Vishram Mowji & anr, Jamsetji R & D.

754-17—Kanga & S, Rehmatbai widow v. Bhimji Jairaj Makanji, Madhowji K & Ch.

1219-16—Amin and D, Sabrabibi v. Abdulkarim Abdul Rahim Hafiz and ors, Mulla and Mulla, Amin and D.

609-17—Mulla and M, Fatmabai widow v. Ebrahim Moledina, Captain and V.

876-16—Captain and V, The Official Assignee of Bombay v. Lakhmichand Padamsey a firm, Edgelow G W & Co.

816-05—Bhaishanker K & C, Cursondas Ludha v. Amichand Panalal, Matubhai J & M.

641-23825-16—Motichand & D, Nemchand Fakirchand v. Desai Raghunathji Khandoobhai, Manecklal and Co.

IN THE COURT OF BOMBAY IN INSOLVENCY.

BEFORE THE HONBLE MR. JUSTICE KAJIJI

APPLICATION FOR DISCHARGE ORDER UNDER SEC. 68.

516-17—Waman Bhow Chavan v Bomanji Maneckji Vatcha Cr. No. 2, Raghavayya N and Co.

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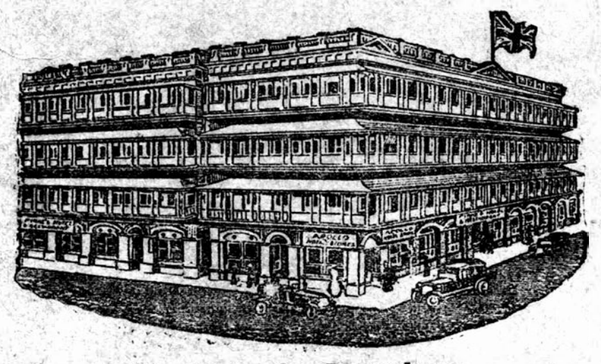

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